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## ANOTHER SHIP LEAVES HK WITH AEROPLANE ENGINES

### NEW ROUTE FOR CHINA REFUGEES

Oakland, March 19.—Transocean Airlines are sending a four-engined plane to Hong Kong to chart a new route for refugee Nationalist Chinese to havens in countries contiguous to the United States.

The Sales Vice-President, Douglas Johnson, said the move is necessary because United States immigration officials at Honolulu, first port of entry to the United States, had refused to honour further transit visas across the United States to such refugees. He added that the refusal came after more than 1,000 Chinese bearing Nationalist visas, British travel affidavits and transit visas had been carried by this route to Canada, Mexico, Cuba and the Bahamas.

The reported action came about a week after the Immigration Service in Miami, Florida, had announced the arrest of private citizens and charged that a new conspiracy had been uncovered to smuggle Chinese from Cuba into the United States.

In Washington, however, the Immigration and State Departments do not know about any such ruling as reported by Mr. Johnson or the east issuance of transit visas across the United States for Chinese refugees.

Mr. Johnson said the new route pilot plane will pick up 55 Nationalist Chinese in Hong Kong with visas from their government, British travel affidavits and transit visas across affected countries and fly them to Central America via Europe and the South Atlantic. The route will be 4,000 miles further than that across the United States.—Associated Press.

### DEVALUATION IN INDONESIA

Jakarta, March 19.—The Indonesian Government announced tonight that the Indonesian currency in internal circulation has been devalued by 50 per cent as from noon GMT today.

The announcement said that all money in circulation as well as in banks throughout the country will lose its nominal value as from noon, decreasing in value by 50 per cent.

At present three types of currency are circulating in Indonesia—the pre-war and post-war Netherlands East Indies guilders and Republican rupiahs.

Reports yesterday predicting the devaluation said it is intended to defeat money black marketeers.

Last week the Government instituted a new foreign exchange system, with changed import and export regulations, to stimulate exports and combat smuggling.

Only currency notes of two guilders 50 cents and less and coins of 2-1/2 and one cent retain their full face value under the new Ordinance, which was broadcast over all Indonesian wavelengths.

The left-hand half of each note becomes legal tender up to 50 per cent of its value while the right-hand half will serve as an application voucher for obtaining funds in a three per cent Government loan.

The right-hand portion also loses half its face value.—Reuters.

### The Weather

At 0800 GMT (2 p.m. HKST) from a small depression situated about 150 miles S. of Tokyo a cold front extends SWward across N. Formosa and thence into China. From a second depression over the sea of Japan a cold front extends SWward to the Yangtze. Both these fronts are moving Southward. Pressure is high over the continent.

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## British vessel sails for North Korea NATIONALISTS' VAIN HUNT FOR SS. EMPIRE DIRK

With the Chinese Nationalists still hunting vainly for the British ship Empire Dirk, which left Hong Kong three days ago with more than U.S.\$3,000,000 worth of spare plane parts and engines in an attempt to run the blockade, another British ship left the Colony yesterday on an identical mission.

She is the Tsinan, of Butterfield and Swire, which left Hong Kong with more than U.S.\$1,000,000 worth of CATC and CNAC spare parts and engines for Inchon, in Korea.

According to Associated Press from Taipei, Nationalist warships and planes, despite intensified efforts, have still failed to find any trace of the Empire Dirk.

Meanwhile a British-registered ship—the Tai Chung Shan—arrived in Hong Kong yesterday after a six-week blockade-running trip which took in Tientsin, Tsingtao and Swatow.

Nationalist planes raided Tsingtao twice while the Tai Chung Shan was in port, but the ship was not hit.

Officers of the ship yesterday complained that the Communist occupation troops disappear during air raids, offering the ships in harbour little protection.

The Captain said that the Communist harbour pilots will not guide the blockade runners into the harbour until nearly twilight, for fear of Nationalist aircraft.

Another Tientsin ship, the ss. Flying Cloud, is due to leave Hong Kong tomorrow for Tsingtao with a reported 8,000 tons of cargo.

A sister ship of the Flying Cloud was damaged in Tsingtao three weeks ago. However, the Tientsin Line intends to continue trading with the North China port.

### South China run

Trade with South China ports is becoming safer and more popular, a British officer said yesterday. He pointed out that the Communists are now paying only HK\$80 a ton for cargo to Hong Kong, compared with HK\$140 a ton, which they were paying three weeks ago.

The officer explained that the increased number of ships arriving and departing from Swatow in safety was the main reason for the reduction.

Since the beginning of this year, blockade running of Chinese Communist ports seems to have gained momentum. More ships are also including North China ports in their itinerary.

Local shipping organisations now engaged in this activity include the China Navigation Company, the Ivaran Lines, the Pacific Transport Lines, the Indo-China S. N. Company, and the Tientsin Line.

The China Navigation Company has the ss. Poyang leaving port today for Tientsin and Tsingtao; the ss. Hupeh for Tientsin on March 23 and the ss. Hunan arriving from the North on March 23.

The Pacific Transport Lines operate the China Transport

Pacific Transport and Philippine Transport on this run. The China Transport is clearing port for Tientsin and Tsingtao today. The others are due to sail for Red China next month.

The Indo-China S. N. Company has on schedule the following: ss. Chuansang leaving for Tientsin tomorrow; ss. Choyang due here on March 25 from North China and leaving on March 29.

The mv. Lishoh of the Ivaran Lines left last evening for Taku Bay and Tsingtao. The mv. Igadi of the same organisation is expected to call at both ports on April 8.

### Gordon delayed

Officials of the American President Lines yesterday postponed the ss. General Gordon's mercy mission to Shanghai until noon today.

The postponement was made necessary because the LST craft, which will take evacuees down the Whangpoo, and which are en route from Japan, will not reach their rendezvous point off the Yangtze river until early on March 23.

Most of the 103 passengers who are leaving Hong Kong for Shanghai are living on the ship. They are leaving for Shanghai with no illusions. The businessmen know the Communist-dominated city has offered little to foreigners since its occupation last spring.

However, though little has been promised, some are hoping for much for the end to the Nationalist blockade for a more lenient Communist attitude to business profits—but they will not be surprised at anything.

One British businessman said on board ship yesterday that it is cost his company hundreds of thousands of dollars to maintain their office in Shanghai since the occupation.

### Main hope

But he added: "Given an end to the Nationalist blockade, there is absolutely no reason why Shanghai cannot be a mutually beneficial trading city for both governments."

He described Shanghai as the mouth of a famished China, and foreign business as its main hope for revival. "Whether the Com-

munist see it that way is another question," he added.

The passengers on board the Gordon are not a festive group—wives with children are joining their husbands; businessmen are joining their firms in Shanghai to relieve colleagues who have been there since the occupation; some diplomats are taking up posts in preparation for active diplomatic relations with the Peking Government—but there are no tourists, no joyriders.

British businessmen, with huge investments in Shanghai, are holding on because of necessity, but American businessmen, with relatively small investments, are clearing out—flatly leaving Shanghai.

The APL office reports that they have not had one application from an American to enter the city—more than 400 are leaving.

## SHIP AGROUND IN LEYTE GULF

Manila, March 20.—The Greek steamship, Kehrea, which ran aground on a reef in the Gulf of Leyte this morning, will be lifted off the reef tonight if the high tides come in as expected.

The agents, the American Steamship Agencies Incorporated, said that the master of the American-built ship reported that her keel is lying on the rocky bottom. The reef was identified as a "Marigold Light" house Island, about 30 miles South of Tacloban.

The owners said that the 7,000-ton ship was en route with empty holds from Cebu to Tacloban, where it is to pick up island produce. The Kehrea, now captained by Greek interests, entered the Philippine area from the United States' Pacific Coast. She is due to leave for South America after leaving the Archipelago.

There are no passengers. A surveyor will be flown to Marigold Light, if the Kehrea fails to float tonight.—Associated Press.

### FIRE IN SHIP

A small fire broke out in a coal bunker of the Blue Funne steamer Meschon, lying alongside Heli's Wharf, at about 10 p.m. yesterday. The fire was extinguished in a few minutes by the crew.

quoted from an undisclosed source reports saying that youths overturned freight cars loaded with grain bound for Russia. The incident occurred at Kichu, in the far North East.

The report said that seven youths were arrested. Such reports, rare last year, are now current, and believed to be by-product of admittedly poor harvests last year, and the tighter rationing system.

Preferential rationing systems are said to provide plenty of food for the most useful and most cooperative citizens. Probably, the effects most severely are the remnants of the free-enterprise system—cobblers, watchmakers and the like—who are not absorbed into the Communist production system.

The middle classes, however, are being driven out of their businesses.

Radio Pyongyang announced an example of the authority in the country—that 24,000 tons of

## National rulers at ballet



Pictured in the Royal Box at London's Covent Garden Opera House before a gala performance in honour of visiting French President Vincent Auriol by the Sadlers Wells Ballet are (left to right) President Auriol, the Duke of Gloucester, Queen Elizabeth, King George and Madame Auriol.—(AP Photo).

## NATIONALIST LANDING ON NAMOA REPULSED

A Nationalist force assigned to retake Namoa Island, less than 10 miles East of Swatow, was badly beaten on March 13, according to the Swatow correspondent of the independent vernacular "Wah Kiu Yat Po" yesterday.

The force, coming from Tungshan Island, about 20 miles North East of Namoa Island, landed on Namoa about 10 a.m. on March 13 with the aid of two warships and two bombers escorted by four fighter planes.

The Communists were caught by surprise. As a result the force landed without incident. However, it failed to make progress from the beach-heads as a result of intense counter-fire from the Communist forces.

Despite cover from the warships and aircraft, the Nationalist landing force was forced to withdraw in disorder. A number of their landing craft—motor launches and sailing junks—were destroyed.

Communist shells tore two holes in one of the warships and one hole in the other. Ten civilians of Namoa Island were killed when Nationalist shells hit their houses.

Casualties suffered by the Communists and the Nationalists were not mentioned.

Meanwhile, Associated Press reports from Taipei it has now become clear that the Nationalist seizure of the mainland town of Sungmen, just a little less than 200 miles South of Shanghai, was a local operation of the Communist-type.

Its capture did not represent the establishment of an invasion beach head.

In fact, the chances are that Sungmen might be abandoned at any time the Reds are able to imperil the safe withdrawal of forces which took the town.

## Nationalist guerillas in Kwangtung

A force of more than 200 Nationalist guerillas attempted to seize a big market town, about 15 miles East of Kung-kong (Shikwan) in Northern Kwangtung.

This was announced yesterday by the Communist authorities in Canton, according to the "Ging Tao Man Po".

It was added that the guerillas were beaten back with casualties, including four killed. The force was under the command of one Au Chi-keung.

The attempt, said the official announcement, took place on March 11.

It has also served to fortify confidence in the Nationalist ability to hold Taiwan barring one thing—large-scale active Soviet aid for the Chinese Reds.

For some weeks now, posters have appeared in Taiwan depicting a Nationalist soldier stepping on the mainland from this island.

United Press says that Saturday's announcement set the time of the landing as "dawn, March 18." Official quarters in Taipei yesterday corrected the date of the landing to last Wednesday but virtually no further information can be obtained.

Only a raid

The naval statement described the attack as a raid and there is no indication that the troops are attempting to establish a beach head for an all-out invasion of Red-held territory.

Army, Navy and Air Force headquarters in Taipei have no further information about the Sunmen operation. The naval headquarters at Keelung, reached by telephone, said no word had been received from the attackers since the landing but that so far as was known the landing force units are still at Sunmen.

Nevertheless, foreign and Chinese quarters in Taipei are convinced that the operation will have far-reaching effects.

It has, for example, demonstrated the vulnerability of the mainland coast to a landing.

It has shown the Nationalist flag to the mainland. It has raised the hopes that Chiang Kai-shek's promises of a eventual recovery might not be just a fanciful dream.

It has given encouragement to Nationalist troops in Taiwan, most of whom yearn to be back on the mainland.

Nationalist authorities doubtless had these things in mind when they planned the operation, which among other things, is expected to put fresh pep into the entire guerilla forces on the mainland.

Naval headquarters at Keelung, in South Western Taiwan, said that the city's capture was preceded by seven days of landing force units.

The landing force, it said, belonged to the First Training Corps of the Chekiang Provincial Government, which has received training on the Chusan Islands.

Help for guerillas

Hanchow, normally the capital of Chekiang, has long been in the hands of the Reds, who, apart from pockets held by the Nationalists, control the province.

One of the missions of the landing force was believed to be the delivering of supplies to guerillas in the province. Another was to take prisoners.

The landing of a small scale force of Nationalist troops, though, has been a bold move, the convictions of Chiang Kai-shek's supporters, who believe that the Nationalists are capable of effective invasion of the

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## CALL FOR ANGLO-U.S. AID PLAN

London, March 19.—The Independent London Sunday newspaper, the "Observer", today called for joint United States and British Commonwealth economic aid to Asia to combat Communism.

Applauding the recent statement on American Far Eastern policy by the U.S. Secretary of State, Mr. Dean Acheson, the "Observer" wrote: "The peoples of Asia must be helped also to raise their standards of living, and in the struggle against poverty and malnutrition and endemic disease they must feel that the Western powers are ready to give them all available support."

"So far, the chief economic aid to Asia has come through Britain's release of sterling balances to India and Pakistan. These 'unrequited exports' have been a serious drain on Britain's resources."

"The only way to give Asia effective economic aid is for America to join the British Commonwealth in a long-term plan, with assurances on which Mr. Acheson rightly insists—that the aid will be wisely spent by the recipient countries, and with opportunities for Britain and Western Europe to earn food and dollars by sending industrial goods to these needy areas."

"Hitherto, one grave obstacle to any such plan has been the bitter conflict between India and Pakistan over Kashmir. Last week the two countries agreed, in principle, to the United Nations' proposal to appoint a Mediator. They agreed heartily, and their agreement is only one small step towards a settlement, but it should be welcomed as a step in the right direction, and America and Britain should give this United Nations move their full public backing."—Reuters.

## STUDENTS RIOT IN SAIGON

Paris, March 19.—About 4,000 Vietnamese students supporting the Vietminh (Communist-led insurgents) today set fire to street stalls and motor cars in the Central market place in Saigon in protest against American aid for French-supported Vietnam, the French news agency reported.

The students first tried to march to the quayside, where American destroyers are moored. Finding the dock entrance surrounded by roads blocked by police, they returned to demonstrate in the market place.

Vietnamese police, armed only with rubber truncheons, asked French troops to stand by but military intervention was not needed, the report said.—Reuters.

## TAIPEI DENIAL

Taipei, March 19.—The authorities today branded as completely false a Hong Kong report that they had suspended licences on imports from the Colony.

First of all, the authorities said, no such licences ever were required, and no change in this policy is contemplated.—Associated Press.

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## Home soccer:

## Thrilling struggle between London giants ends in 2-2 draw

London, March 18.

Arsenal and Chelsea must meet again at the Tottenham Hotspur ground on Wednesday to decide who is to represent London and the South in the Cup Final at Wembley on April 29.

At one period early in the semi-final game, few of the 67,752 spectators could have visualised such an outcome to this battle of the London giants.

So masterful, in fact, were Chelsea at the beginning that after 25 minutes they stood two goals ahead. At that stage Arsenal looked in danger of being outplayed and their usually cool defenders showed distinct signs of becoming rattled.

They were troubled most by the unorthodox centre-forward play of Roy Bentley, who scored both Chelsea's goals, one with a lobbed shot which hit the underside of the bar and the other with a sparkling header from a clearance by Hughes.

Then Arsenal foresaw completely their usual defence, in depth plan and lunged everything into an attack. A few seconds before the interval, right winger Cox scored direct from a corner. The second half mostly belonged to Arsenal. Chelsea were forced on the defensive and were handicapped when Billington, inside left, became a casualty, which caused him to play on the wing after a period off the field.

## The equalizer

Even so they held out in a most determined manner until 12 minutes from the end. Then Denis Compton placed a corner accurately on to his brother Leslie's head and the ball sailed into the net for the equalizer.

The Compton brothers provided further thrills before the end came in a draw, Denis nearly scoring twice and Leslie once. The League results contained a number of surprises, the biggest of which were the defeats of the First and Second Division leaders, Manchester United and Tottenham Hotspur. Manchester United, badly mis- led by their England centre-forward, Jack Rowley, who was injured. They attacked for most of the game against Blackburn but could not press home their midfield advantage.

The 10 year old South African left-winger, Billy Perry, displayed excellent ball control in his League debut for Blackburn. Stan Mortensen got their two goals.

Blackburn's victory narrowed the gap between them and Manchester United to three points and they have two games in hand. Liverpool met their second successive home defeat against Wolverhampton Wanderers. Everton, whom they meet in next Saturday's Cup semi-final at Manchester, also showed indifferent form in losing at Stoke.

At the bottom of the First Division, the struggle to avoid the last two places grew keener. By defeating Manchester City, Birmingham drew level with them on points. Charlton, also in danger, lost at Bolton.

Tottenham Hotspur, who need only six points from nine games to be sure of promotion from the Second Division, were not at their best in losing to Barnsley. They were handicapped by an injury to Nicholson.

Sheffield United remain in second place, although they dropped a point at home to Leicester. But they have played three games more than Sheffield Wednesday, who won well at Swansea and are only three points behind the United.

Bradford and Coventry, who recently spent heavily in transfer fees in trying to escape relegation, have not met with any immediate success.

## Drop to last place

Bradford suffered a 4-0 defeat at Grimsby and dropped to last place, and Coventry forfeited a home point to Blackburn.

## HOME SOCCER LEAGUE STANDINGS

## FIRST DIVISION

	P	W	D	L	P	A	Pts.
Manchester U.	31	17	11	3	62	35	45
Blackburn	32	16	14	2	42	21	42
Liverpool	34	14	11	7	54	41	41
Wolverhampton	34	14	11	9	55	42	39
Portsmouth	33	16	9	8	56	39	39
Chelsea	33	11	10	12	44	40	38
Barnsley	34	12	12	10	33	36	36
Bury	32	14	7	11	45	49	35
Newcastle	32	12	10	10	44	46	34
Millwall	32	14	6	12	42	30	31
Sheff. Wed.	33	11	9	13	45	28	31
Fulham	33	10	12	11	36	32	30
Villa	32	11	10	11	42	49	30
Stoke	34	10	11	13	40	51	30
Colchester	32	8	12	13	40	51	28
Walsley	33	9	11	14	45	28	28
Huddersfield	31	10	7	17	39	54	25
Everton	33	7	11	15	30	55	25
Charlton	34	10	4	20	43	55	21
Manchester C.	33	5	11	17	26	52	21
Birmingham	33	6	9	18	26	52	21

## SECOND DIVISION

	P	W	D	L	P	A	Pts.
Spurs	33	24	6	3	70	53	54
Sheff. U.	35	14	11	7	50	36	39
Sheff. W.	32	14	11	7	52	42	39
Leeds U.	34	14	10	9	42	31	34
Southampton	33	16	6	11	57	38	34
Southend	33	13	11	9	50	41	35
Preston Nk.	34	13	9	12	41	39	35
Bury	34	13	6	15	51	45	34
West Ham	33	12	9	12	43	39	33
Leicester	32	10	13	12	43	55	33
Bradford	34	11	11	12	31	42	33
Swansea	33	13	6	14	46	44	32
Barnsley	33	11	10	12	55	52	32
Cardiff	32	13	6	13	30	36	32
Grimsby	32	7	13	13	41	58	31
Sheff. C.	34	12	7	15	31	40	31
Blackburn	33	11	8	14	42	45	30
Queen's P.R.	34	9	10	15	32	28	28
Luton	33	7	13	13	32	44	27
Beverly	33	7	11	15	38	45	25
Plymouth	34	6	13	15	28	53	25
Bradford	33	8	8	17	45	64	24

## THIRD DIVISION (SOUTH)

	P	W	D	L	P	A	Pts.
Notts C.	32	12	5	15	30	35	27
Torquay	33	10	7	16	30	45	27
Notts P.	34	16	6	12	58	30	40
Northampton	32	16	8	8	45	40	37
Norwich	33	14	9	10	58	40	37
Southend	34	14	9	11	45	37	37
Watford	33	13	9	11	37	39	35
Reading	33	15	5	13	53	39	35
Pulisey	34	13	9	12	42	45	35
Port Vale	32	12	10	10	38	29	34
Sheff. U.	33	13	6	14	53	48	34
Bournemouth	33	12	9	12	43	33	33
Brighton	34	12	8	14	49	65	32
Bristol C.	32	12	6	14	42	53	30
Bristol R.	31	17	4	14	56	38	30
Walsley	33	8	13	12	59	45	29
Exeter	32	9	8	15	47	65	28
Alverthorpe	33	9	7	17	35	50	25
Ipwich	33	8	9	16	41	68	25
Leighton	33	8	8	17	42	74	24
Newport	31	9	5	17	31	60	23
Millwall	31	10	2	19	30	60	22

## IRISH LEAGUE FOOTBALL

The following were the results of football matches played today:

Ballymena United	1	Linfield	3
Cliftonville	2	Crusaders	7
Distillery	1	Glenora	4
Bungor	1	Ardara	3
Derry City	0	Coleraine	0
Glenavon	1	Portadown	1

—Reuter.

## Reminders

## Today

Crown Land Sale by auction, PWD office, 3 p.m.  
European YMCA, Whist Drive, 8 p.m.  
British Council sponsored lecture on Chinese civilisation "China and Europe" by Prof. Chen Te-kun, Council library, 5.30 p.m.  
HK Land Investment and Agency Co., Ltd. annual meeting, 12 noon.  
HK Stage Club, casting meeting for radio play at PRO Lecture room, 8.30 p.m.

## Coming Events

**TOMORROW**  
HK Rotary Club luncheon, Roof Garden, HK Hotel, 12.30 p.m.  
European YMCA, Bridge Drive, 8 p.m.  
Nine Dragons Services Club, Billy Tingle, PT and boxing, 6 p.m.; Whist Drive, 8 p.m.  
**WEDNESDAY**  
The II club meeting, 50 Macdonnell Road, 8.30 p.m.  
Legislative Council, Budget debate, 2.30 p.m.  
Nine Dragons Services Club, Film show, HK Band Call, 8 p.m.  
European YMCA Debating Society, Open Forum, 8.45 p.m.  
Women's Section, European YMCA, Whist drive, 10-10.30 p.m.  
42 Commando, Royal Marines, Ceremonial Parade, Chatham Road, 11.30 a.m.

## THIRD DIVISION (NORTH)

	P	W	D	L	P	A	Pts.
Doncaster	32	16	12	4	50	27	41
Bochdale	31	19	5	10	50	38	41
Grimsby	34	14	7	13	78	47	39
Cowes	32	14	11	7	52	41	39
Liverpool	33	10	6	17	38	38	36
Manchester	32	13	11	10	54	43	37
Tranmere	32	15	7	10	39	38	37
Cardiff	31	13	10	10	55	44	36
Oldham	31	14	8	12	40	41	35
Sheff. W.	33	13	9	11	61	53	35
Stockport	33	16	3	14	47	42	35
Southport	34	12	10	12	47	40	34
Barnsley	32	12	7	13	41	38	31
New Brighton	31	11	9	14	36	41	31
Accrington	34	12	7	15	43	51	31
Chorley	31	13	4	17	57	64	29
Barlinton	34	9	12	13	50	58	30
Wrexham	34	10	8	16	34	44	29
Liverpool	33	11	6	17	44	66	27
Nottingham	33	13	9	11	45	57	27
Bradford C.	34	9	7	18	46	70	25
Hullfax	34	10	5	19	46	70	25

## SCOTTISH LEAGUE "A"

	P	W	D	L	P	A	Pts.
Hibernian	20	10	4	6	28	42	24
Rangers	24	19	3	2	51	29	41
Hearts	20	18	2	8	72	31	38
Celtic	27	13	6	8	42	46	32
Dundee	20	12	7	7	46	31	31
East Fife	24	12	6	6	45	30	30
Aberdeen	25	10	4	11	39	30	24
St. Mirren	28	8	12	11	43	21	21
Partick	25	10	2	13	42	37	22
Salisbury	27	6	10	11	48	66	22
Motherwell	27	8	5	14	42	52	21
Clyde	26	9	3	14	48	52	21
Rath	27	6	8	13	37	58	20
Third Lanark	26	8	2	16	32	58	18
Queen of S.	26	6	5	16	27	53	18
Birling	26	6	3	18	27	64	18

## Hockey:

## Nomads prove no match for Recreio "B"

At King's Park yesterday, Nomads proved no match for Recreio "B" in a Hockey Association League fixture and were defeated by seven clear goals.

Nomads started off quite well and although Roza got an early goal, it appeared that their backs would be able to hold the Recreio forwards.

The forwards of the Nomads were never much in the picture as an attacking force, their time being, to a great extent, occupied in tackling back, at which Reed did his share.

Consequently, the Recreio backs had plenty of space and time to get the ball under control and used it to the best advantage. The main weakness in the Nomads' team, one felt, was at half-back, for the line never appeared to have the "flags" to get up behind their forwards, and so left a gap which was fully exploited by the Recreio halves and inside forwards, and their own forwards had to come back and forage eventually.

Even when Reed moved, in the second half, to left-half, and then to centre-half, there was but little improvement, for by then Recreio "had their tails up" and were in dominant mood. A. A. Remedios Jr. was the star of the Recreio side, although all of them did their share.

## Keynote of success

The keynote of the team's success was their teamwork and cohesion, so that it may be judicious to single out individuals for mention.

Nevertheless, it seems fair to mention as well Gosano for his solid and confident play, Roza for his energy, and A. J. Remedios for his clever and unselfish display at centre-forward and then at inside-left.

The improvement in the "B" team during the season has been considerable.

At the start they were eager, youngsters, keen to do well, energetic and enthusiastic. Nowadays, there is more craft and guile about them and with maturity this should be a very fine team in a year or two.

Their stickwork and general application of the finer points of hockey have improved immensely.

## Played to a standstill

On the Nomads' side, Barretto did well enough and Xavier and Santos at back played themselves to a standstill, but the halves could not cope with the nippy Recreio forwards.

Silva tried hard at forward as did Reed, and in the second half, Castillo, when he moved up, with little support from the halves, the forward line was practically reduced to impotence. After Roza scored early on, there was a period of up and down play until A. A. Remedios Jr. scored the second. He added another before half-time and out more just after the interval. About half-way through the second period Marques scored from a rebound after a terrific drive by A. J. Remedios, who, himself, made it six shortly afterwards.

Shortly before the final whistle the last goal came.

## Results

The following were the results of yesterday's games:

Fake	2	Commandos	2
Navy	8	Chand Tara	0
Recreio "B"	7	Nomads	0
YMCA	3	KITC	0
Dutch HC	0	Hong Kong HC	0
Police	3	HKU	1

## League standings to date

	P	W	D	L	P	A	Pts.
Army	19	10	5	4	111	9	38
Recreio "A"	18	15	2	1	117	32	42
Commandos	20	14	5	4	86	43	30
KITC	20	13	8	4	48	30	29
Navy	20	8	7	5	56	39	23
Recreio "B"	21	10	3	8	62	43	23
YMCA	21	9	4	8	48	43	23
Club	20	9	4	7	29	45	19
Nomads	20	8	3	9	29	45	19
RAF	19	6	6	7	27	52	18
Police	20	7	4	9	32	44	18
University	20	6	1	13	31	38	16
Dutch	22	5	6	12	30	69	16
Pak SC	22	5	4	13	35	63	14
YMCA	20	4	2	14	29	77	10
Chand Tara	22	0	0	22	4	161	0

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## 2. Reserved Parking

A. Chatham Road south of Austin Road on the west side.

B. These areas will be reserved between 10.00 hours and 12.15 hours. Overnight parking to note.

## COMMISSIONER OF POLICE

March 17, 1950.

## POLICE NOTICE

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March 18, 1950.

## POLICE NOTICE

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## THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT &amp; AGENCY CO., LTD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the FIFTY-EIGHTH ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in this Company will be held at the Offices of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., on MONDAY, 20th March, 1950, at NOON to receive the Report of the Directors together with the Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1949, to confirm the appointment of two Directors, to elect Directors, and to appoint Auditors.

\* The REGISTER OF SHARES of the Company will be closed from MONDAY, 6th March, 1950, to MONDAY, 20th March, 1950, both days inclusive during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

B. C. FIELD, Secretary.

Hong Kong, February 24, 1950.

## NOTICE

## CHINA EMPORIUM, LTD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a Dividend of 80 cents and bonus of 20 cents amounting to \$1.00 per share free of tax as decided upon by the Shareholders' Annual Meeting is payable on the Company's share for the year ended December 31, 1949. Shareholders are requested to collect Dividends at our Registered Office, 2nd Floor, China Emporium Building, Queen's Road, Central, on and after March 20, 1950 (Monday) daily from 10.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. and 2 p.m. to 3 p.m. Saturdays from 10.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. Sundays & Public holidays excepted.

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## IN THE SUPREME COURT OF HONG KONG

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By Order of the Board of Directors,

NG CHUN HONG, Secretary.

Hong Kong, March 20, 1950.

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AND NOTICE IS FURTHER HEREBY GIVEN that the Register and transfer books of the Company will be closed from the 22nd to the 31st day of March 1950 both days inclusive.

GEORGE Y. K. SUN, Secretary.

Hong Kong, March 19, 1950.

## NOTICE

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the TWENTY-THIRD ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Company's Office, China Buildings, 5th floor, Hong Kong, on Monday, 3rd April, 1950, at 12 o'clock noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Board of Directors together with the Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1949, and of elect Directors and appoint Auditor.

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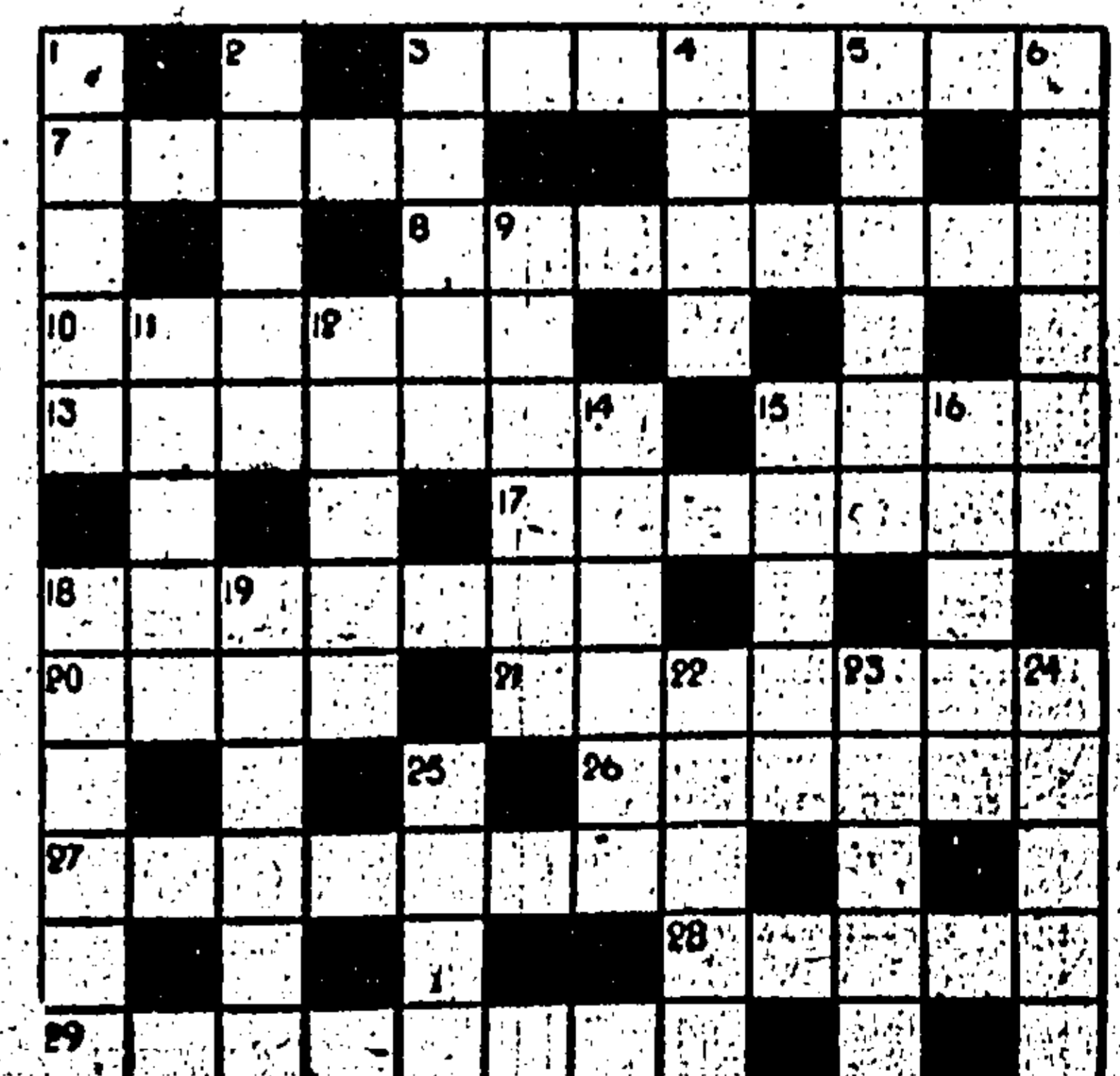
S 10 5 3  
H A K 10 8 6  
D 10 5 4  
C 7 4  
S A 7 4 2  
H 9 5 4 3  
D K J 8 3  
C 3  
S K Q 8 8  
H Q J  
D 5 2  
C A Q J 8 6  
(Dealer: West. Both sides vulnerable.)

West North East South  
Pass Pass Pass 1 C  
Pass 1 H Pass 1 S  
Pass 2 H  
A play made by J. G. Ripstra, of Wichita, Kansas, on this deal in the national individual masters' championship of six years ago was recalled by several of the players the other day as an example of ingenuity in an emergency. East for some reason decided to lead the heart 3. Mr. Ripstra saw that a second heart lead removing dummy's second

trump could cause him to lose three tricks in diamonds; these plus one sure loser in spades and possibly one in clubs could hold him to exactly contract, and he also might lose a second trick in spades to be set.  
Then he thought of a bold coup. After winning the opener with the heart Q, he led the club Q. When West won that with the K, he was sure North had a blank now and East a club remaining. So West, returned his sole remaining heart. North won with the A and cleared trumps with the K and 10. Then he led the club 7 to the A and J, discarding on the latter his diamond 4. He could now lose only two diamonds and one trick in spades, as the cards lay, made an extra trick, giving him a fine score on the deal in comparison with others in the tournament.

Tomorrow's Problem  
S 4 3  
H A Q 5 4 3  
D J 4  
C K 5 4  
S Q 10 6  
H 10 7 2  
D Q 10 7 3  
C J 3 2  
S A J 2  
H K 6  
D A K 1 2  
C Q 10 6  
(Dealer: East. Both sides vulnerable.)  
How should North plan to make 5-Hearts if East leads the diamond 9?

## A BRITISH CROSSWORD PUZZLE



Across  
3 One who goes abroad.  
7 Musical work.  
8 Speak incoherently.  
10 Harvest.  
13 Imposed upon.  
15 Tune.  
17 Tumult.  
18 Spills.  
20 Genuine.  
21 Arbitrator.  
22 Uncommonness.  
27 Rustics.  
28 Future.  
29 Takes away.  
Down  
1 Amass.  
2 Award.  
3 Relieved.  
4 Morose.  
5 Garb.  
6 Menace.  
9 Promote.  
11 Uncomely.  
12 Scholar.  
14 Wilderness.  
16 Fossil.  
19 Crook.  
20 Clothed.  
21 Stupid.  
22 Goes with.  
23 out food.  
25 Compete.  
26 With.  
27 Mole.  
28 Festivity.  
29 Down.

Saturday's Crossword  
Across—1 Secure, 5 Thick, 9 Tumb, 10 Sprint, 11 Deal, 12 Acid, 13 Lute, 14 Medicine, 15 Grudge, 16 Sweet, 17 Knap, 18 Valid, 19 Ruled, 20 Solenn, 21 Romeo, 22 Cheer, 23 Smells.  
Down—1 Sustains, 2 Carriage, 3 Bind, 4 Entered, 5 Drills, 6 Hoofed, 7 Craft, 8 Foretell, 9 Sycamore, 10 Malador, 11 Driven, 12 Ravage, 13 Wraith, 14 Dream.

## APOLOGY

In the course of my broadcast on "The Haunted House" over Rediffusion on 4th March



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### DEFENCE IN THE WEST

In replying to the debate in the House of Commons on the Defence White Paper, the British Prime Minister declined to deal in detail with the question of the re-arming of Germany, raised by Mr. Churchill. He said Britain is acting with her Western Allies, with the United States and with France, and policy had been laid down in this matter perfectly clearly. This policy opposes any kind of German re-arming, and there is no likelihood of any change in the foreseeable future. The German Federal Government is itself a signatory to the Protocol binding it to oppose all forms of remilitarisation.

Arguments which have been advanced in various quarters in favour of re-arming Germany fall into two groups. First, those which suggest the re-establishment of German armed forces on a national basis for Western Germany. Secondly, those which favour a German contingent in some International force. The Government holds that apart from general questions of principle, and its obligations under the Potsdam and other agreements, there are convincing counter-arguments against either suggestion.

A small German force would make little difference to the balance of power, while having the disadvantage of uniting all shades of opinion in the Soviet Union and the satellite States—especially Poland and Czechoslovakia—through their common fear of German resurgence. If, however, the German forces were large enough to make a really significant contribution, they would also be of such size as to give Germany a predominant position in the Western Union. A large German Army would place Germany in a strong bargaining position as between East and West, and the possibility of a bargain being struck with the Soviet Government must never be excluded.

There is the further danger to be reckoned with, that the German Federal Government, which is at present young and inexperienced, might be too heavily influenced by an organised body of military opinion, which a re-created German High Command would represent. In the main, all arguments against the establishment of a German National Army apply in the long run to any German contingent in any International force, since it is hard to believe that such a German contingent would not lead very soon to the establishment of a National Army.

Mr. Churchill himself did not say plainly whether he contemplated restoring German armed forces, or only the participation of German industry in preparing defensive armament. But as "The Times" pointed out, the distinction is illusory in principle and could not be maintained in practice. The only solution of the dilemma is to make the Western Union such a reality that Germany can be received into it as a member-State whose manpower and natural wealth will be a welcome reinforcement of strength, but which yet will not be of such predominant weight that it overthrows the balance of the whole. The one Power whose co-operation and leadership are indispensable to make the Western Union stable enough



These impressions were shared by our Joint Intelligence Committee. On April 7 they stated that there were a number of reports circulating in Europe of a German plan to attack Russia. Although Germany, they said, had considerable forces available in the East, and expected to fight Russia some time or another, it was unlikely that she would choose to make another major war front yet. Her main object in 1941 would be according to them remain the defeat of the United Kingdom.

As late as May 23 this committee from the three Services reported that rumours of impending attack on Russia, had died down, and that there were reports that a new agreement between the two countries was impending. This they considered likely since German economy would require strengthening to meet the needs of a long war. The necessary assistance could be obtained by Germany from Russia either by force or agreement. They thought the latter would be the German choice, although a threat of force would help to bring it about. This threat was now building up. There was plenty of evidence of the construction of roads and railways, aidings in German Poland, of the preparation of aerodromes and of large-scale troops concentrations, including troops and air units from the Balkans.

Our Chiefs of Staff were ahead of their advisers; and definite. We have firm indications that they would like the East Command on May 31, that the Germans are now concentrating large army and air forces against Russia. Under this threat they will probably demand concessions most injurious to us. If the Russians refuse, the Germans will march. It was not till June 5 that the Joint Intelligence Committee reported that the scale of German military preparations in Eastern Europe seemed to indicate that an issue more vital than an economic agreement was at stake. Finally on June 12 they reported: "Fresh evidence is now at hand that Hitler has made up his mind to have done with Soviet obstruction and to attack."

**Collection of tit-bits**  
I had not been content with this form of collective wisdom, and preferred to see the originals myself. I had arranged, therefore, as far back as the summer of 1940, for Major Desmond Morton to make a daily selection of tit-bits, which I always read, sometimes at much earlier date. It was thus with relief and excitement that towards the end of March, 1941, I read an Intelligence report from one of our most trusted sources of the movement and counter-movement of German armour on the railways from Bucharest to Cracow. This showed that as soon as Prince Paul (of Yugoslavia) had made his submission in Vienna to Hitler on March 20 three out of the five Panzer divisions which had moved through Rumania South-Eastward towards Greece and Yugoslavia had been sent Northward to Cracow, and secondly that the whole of this transportation had been reversed after the Belgrade revolution and the three Panzer divisions sent back to Rumania. This shuffling and reversal of about 60 trains could not be concealed from our agents on the spot.

To me it illuminated the whole Eastern scene like a lightning-flash. The sudden movement to Cracow of so much armour needed in the Balkan sphere could only mean Hitler's intention to invade Russia in May. This seemed to me henceforward certainly his major purpose. The fact that the Belgrade revolution had required their return to Rumania involved perhaps of delay from May to June. I sent the momentous news at once to Mr. Eden in Athens. I also cast about for some means of warning Stalin, and by arousing him to his danger, establishing contacts with him like

to contain Germany as a member is the United Kingdom.

Meanwhile much has been done in the organisation of Western Union defence. A common strategic plan has been agreed on, including an integrated plan of air defence based on the use of radar. Mutual aid has been provided in production of arms and equipment, and the nucleus of a Joint Command has been created. Measures have been adopted, too, for the standardisation of arms and training. In all these things the United Kingdom has played a leading part. More remains to be done, and not least the building up of Britain's own forces for common defence.

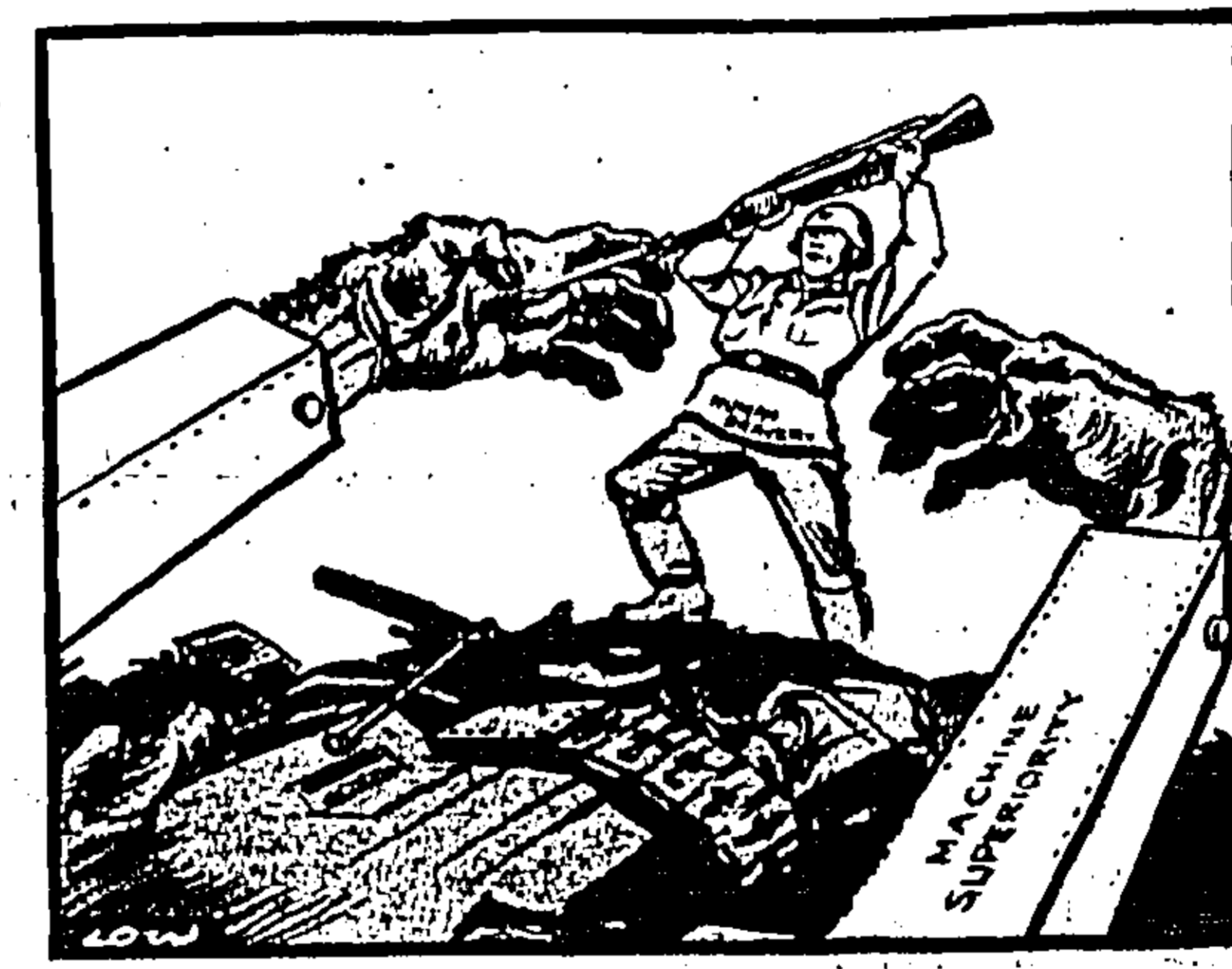
## WINSTON CHURCHILL'S WAR MEMOIRS: THE THIRD BOOK THE GRAND ALLIANCE The invasion of Russia By Winston Churchill

those I had made with President Roosevelt. I made the message short and cryptic, hoping that this very fact, and that it was the first message I had sent him since my formal telegram of June 25, 1940, commending Sir Stafford Cripps as Ambassador, would arrest his intention and make him ponder.

Following from me to M. Stalin, provided it can be personally delivered by you: I have sure information from a trusted agent that when the Germans thought they had got Yugoslavia in the net—that is to say, after March 20—they began to move three out of the five Panzer divisions from Rumania to Southern Poland. The movement they heard of the Serbian revolution this movement was countermanded. Your Excellency will readily appreciate the significance of these facts.

### Vain warning

Though Sir Stafford Cripps did not succeed in seeing Stalin himself, Mr. Churchill's vain warning was conveyed through Mr. Vyshinsky, who stated in writing on April 23 that Stalin had received it. We know that Hitler's directive of December 18 prescribed May 15 as the date for invading Russia, and that in his fury at the revolution in Bel-



grade this date had on March 27 been postponed for a month, and later till June 22. Until the middle of March the troop movements in the North on the main Russian front were not of a character to require special German measures of concealment. On March 13 however orders were issued by Berlin to terminate the work of the Russian commissions working in German territory and to send them home.

The presence of Russians in this part of Germany could only be permitted up to March 25. In the Northern sector strong German formations were already being assembled. From March 20 onwards an even heavier massing would take place. On March 22, the German Ambassador in Moscow, [name redacted], reported that Stalin had taken over the chairmanship of the Council of Peoples' Commissars in place of Molotov, and had thereby become head of the Government of the Soviet Union.

The reason for this may be sought in the recent mistakes in foreign policy which led to a cooling off of the cordiality of German-Soviet relations, for the creation and preservation of which Stalin has been conspicuously striving. In his new capacity Stalin assumes responsibility for all acts of the Government, in both the domestic and foreign fields. I am convinced that Stalin will use his new position in order to take part personally in the maintenance and development of good relations between the Soviets and Germany.

The German Naval Attaché, reporting from Moscow, expressed the same point in these words: "Stalin is the pivot of German-Soviet collaboration." Examples of Russian appeasement of Germany increased. On May 3, Russia had officially recognised the pro-German Government of Rashid Ali in Iraq. On May 7 the diplomatic representatives of Belgium and Norway were expelled from Russia. Even the Yugoslav Minister was flung out. At the beginning of June the Greek Legation was banished from Moscow.

As General Thomas, the head of the economic section of the German War Ministry, later wrote in his paper on the war economy of the Reich: "The Russians executed their deliveries up to the eve of the attack, and in the last days the transport of materials from the East was expedited by express trains."

**Full information**  
We had not of course full information about the Moscow mood, but the German purpose seemed plain and comprehensible. On May 10 I cabled to General Smuts:

It looks as if Hitler is making against Russia. A ceaseless movement of troops, armoured forces, and aircraft Northwards from the Balkans

and Eastwards from France and Germany is in progress. I should myself suppose his best chance was to attack the Ukraine and Caucasus, thus making sure of corn and oil. Nobody can stop him doing this, but we hope to blast the Fatherland behind him pretty thoroughly as the year marches on. I am sure that with God's help we shall beat the life out of the Nazi regime.

Stalin must have tried very hard to preserve his illusions about Hitler's policy. After another month of intense German troop movement and deployment Schulenburg could telegraph to the German Foreign Office on June 21:

People's Commissar Molotov has just given me the following text of a Tass despatch which will be broadcast tonight and published in the papers tomorrow: "Before the return of the English Ambassador Cripps to London, but especially since his return, there have been widespread rumours of an impending war between the USSR and Germany in the English and foreign Press. These allegations:

1. That Germany supposedly has made various territorial

and economic demands on the USSR and negotiations are impending between Germany and the USSR for a new and closer agreement.

2. That the Soviet Union is supposed to have declined these demands and that as a result Germany has begun to concentrate her troops on the frontier of the Soviet Union in order to attack the Soviet Union.

3. That on its side the Soviet Union is supposed to have begun intensive preparations for war with Germany and to have concentrated its troops on the German border.

Despite the obvious absurdity of these rumours, responsible circles in Moscow have thought it necessary to state that they are a clumsy propaganda manoeuvre of the forces arrayed against the Soviet Union and Germany, which are interested in a spread and intensification of the war.

Hitler had every right to be content with the success of his measures of deception, and with his victim's state of mind.

Molotov's final fatality is worth recording. Schulenburg to the German Foreign Office, Moscow, June 22, 1941, 1.17 a.m.

Molotov summoned me to his office this evening at 9.30 p.m. After he had mentioned the alleged repeated border violations by German aircraft, with the remark that the German Ambassador in Berlin had been instructed to call on the Reich Foreign Minister in this matter, Molotov stated as follows: "There were a number of indications that the German Government was dissatisfied with the Soviet Government. Rumours were even current that a war was impending between Germany and the Soviet Union. They found sustenance in the fact that there was no reaction whatsoever on the part of Germany to the Tass report of June 15; that it was not even published in Germany. The Soviet Government was unable to understand the reasons for Germany's dissatisfaction. The Yugoslav question had at the time given rise to such dissatisfaction, he said."

Molotov believed that by means of his earlier communications he had cleared up this question, which moreover was a thing of the past. He would appreciate it if I could tell him what had brought about the present situation in German-Soviet Russian relations.

I replied that I could not answer his question, as I lacked the pertinent information that I would however transmit his communication to Berlin.

**The hour strikes**  
But the hour had now struck. At 4 a.m. on June 22 Schubertrop delivered a formal declaration of war to the Russian Ambassador

in Berlin: At daybreak Schulenburg presented himself to Molotov in the Kremlin. The latter listened in silence to the statement read by the German Ambassador, and then commented: "It is war. Your aircraft have just bombed some 10 open villages. Do you believe that we deserved that?"

In the face of the Tass broadcast it had been vain for us to add to the various warnings which Eden had given to the Soviet Ambassador in London, or for me to make a renewed personal effort to arouse Stalin to his peril. Even more precise information had been constantly sent to the Soviet Government by the United States. Nothing but any of us could do pierced the purblind prejudice and fixed ideas which Stalin had raised between himself and the terrible truth.

Although on German estimates Russian divisions were massed behind the Soviet boundaries, of which the German front, the Russian armies to a large extent were taken by surprise. The Germans found no signs of offensive preparations in the forward zone, and the Russian overpowered troops were swiftly something like the disaster which had befallen the Polish Air Force on Sept. 1, 1939, was now to be repeated on a far larger scale on the Russian airfields, and many hundreds of Russian planes were caught at daybreak and destroyed before they could get into the air. Thus the ravings of hatred against Britain and the United States which the Soviet propaganda machine cast upon the midnight air were overwhelmed at dawn by the German cannonade. The wicked are not always clever, nor are dictators always right.

**Matter of hours**  
On the evening of Friday, June 20, I drove down to Chequers alone. I knew that the German onslaught upon Russia was a matter of days or it might be hours. I had arranged to deliver a broadcast on Saturday night dealing with the event. It would of course have to be in guarded terms. As the result of my reflections in the car I put off the broadcast till Sunday night, when I thought all would be clear. Thus Saturday passed with its usual calm.

Five days earlier, on the 15th, I had cabled to the President as follows: "From every source at my disposal, including some most trustworthy, it looks as if a vast German onslaught on Russia was imminent. Not only are the main German armies deployed from Finland to Rumania, but the final arrivals of air and armoured forces are being completed. The pocket battleship Lutzow, which put her nose out of the Skagerrak yesterday and was promptly torpedoed by our coastal aircraft, was very likely going North to give naval strength on the Arctic flank. Should this new war break out we shall of course give all encouragement and any help we can spare to the Russians, following the principle that Hitler is the foe we have to beat. I do not expect any class political reaction here, and trust a German-Russian conflict will not cause you any embarrassment."

(To be continued)

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**Good Morning!**

Local restaurant advertises food "cooked in the English style." Is this a threat or a promise?

The Empire Dirk seems to be one of these ships that will have a stab at anything.

NCO's at the military parade, and one report, "were seen to polish the boots of their subordinates so that everything could be ship-shaped."

The local reporter would be more impressed if sub-editors could be seen polishing the stuff sent in by their own subordinates.

"Speaking as a Welsh-speaking woman, Mrs. Hayward said: not want a fflwr i'w bwrdd e ddi, b." She probably had her Welsh listeners rolling in the aisles.

A girl can always lure a man, says Myrtle, if she uses her come-on sense.

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Correspondent says that when he dialled a telephone number all he could hear was music and sounds like the popping of corks. Must have got on to a party line.

In direct contrast to popular belief, our civil servants are really keen to get down to work. Why, only the other day two of them put down their cups of tea to sharpen their pencils.

Luminous lipstick in the latest. Ensures accurate osculation in cinemas.

According to a psychologist, it is possible to tell a hen-pecked husband from the way he coughs. Yes. He invariably coughs up.

Asked whether he played the piano, Myrtle's grandfather replied: "I don't know; I've never tried."



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# CHOU REPLIES TO ACHESON

## Peking regime and the UN

London, March 18. A Foreign Office spokesman said today that a report that the Peking Government had asked Britain to support its "right" to represent China on the United Nations' Security Council is incorrect.

There is no official comment here on talks between the Communist Chinese Foreign Ministry and Britain's Charge d'Affaires in Peking, Mr. J. C. Hutchingson.

The Peking Government has publicly complained against the Powers—Britain included—which abstained from voting when the question of China's Security Council representation was raised at Lake Success.—Reuter.

## SEIZURE OF ECA SUPPLIES

London, March 18. The Communist New China News Agency reported an announcement from Shanghai today that the city's military authorities have seized all American ECA supplies stored there and will use them for emergency relief.

The broadcast mentioned here said the Shanghai Military Control Committee issued an order taking over the supplies two days ago.

The Communist broadcast said, "The supplies which were designed to aid Chiang Kai-shek's brigands to wage the civil war will be used for emergency relief."

The Communist radio added, "It will be recalled that after the liberation of Shanghai the former head of the ECA branch in the city repeatedly announced his willingness to use the supplies for relief purposes."

"But this was only a pretext under which he attempted to set up special organisations for continued interference in China's internal affairs."

"Thus instead of handing the supplies over to the Chinese relief organisations to be used in real relief work, they were left to rot."

The broadcast said the Communist relief committee had talked over the problem of supplies with the former ECA head but he presented various terms which would interfere with China's internal affairs, so the decision was made to seize the supplies.—United Press.

## SINGAPORE CID APPEAL

Singapore, March 18. Singapore's CID appealed today to police throughout South East Asia to help find the terrorist owner of a wallet containing three pieces of human skin.

They described the man they want as a Chinese Communist bomb-thrower. Papers in the wallet link him with the recent attempt to throw a grenade into the office of the anti-Communist newspaper "Chung Shing Jit Pao."

The skin, they said, was wrapped in paper on which was written in Chinese, "White skin peeled off on the third occasion."

The wallet was snatched from the wanted man's pocket when, with two others, he attacked Koo Wei-koh, an employee of the newspaper after the grenade had failed to explode.—Associated Press.

# Asian affairs must be settled by Asians

## U.S. INTERFERENCE NOT WANTED

London, March 18.

The affairs of the Asian peoples must be settled by the Asian peoples themselves and not interfered with by American Imperialists, the Chinese Communist Foreign Minister said, according to a Peking despatch of the New China News Agency received in London.

In a statement replying to the policy speech made by Mr. Dean Acheson, the American Secretary of State, on March 15, Mr. Chou En-lai said, according to the despatch, "Mr. Acheson threatens that China must not concern herself with Asian affairs, on pain of violating not only every tradition and interest of the Chinese people, and the traditions and interests of their Asian neighbours, of the American people, and, indeed, of all free peoples, but also the United Nations Charter."

"I must tell Acheson on behalf of the biggest nation in Asia and of her people that these ridiculous threats are already anachronisms."

"Look at the map. The affairs of the Asian peoples must be settled by the Asian peoples themselves, and must never be interfered with by such American Imperialists as Acheson and company on the other side of the Pacific Ocean."

Mr. Chou En-lai charged that the United States, having acquired the Philippines and many strategic Pacific islands 50 years ago and obtained control of Japan and South Korea after World War II, is now also attempting to control China, Indonesia, Vietnam, Thailand, Burma and India.

The Chinese Minister continued, "The whole world knows that the United States Government, in its attempt to annex China, has supported Chiang Kai-shek in waging large-scale civil war, denying the Chinese people any freedom or any rights, any opportunity to live in independence and peace."

### Meaning of aid

"The United States Government is supplying the Chiang Kai-shek brigands with planes to bomb the mainland of China."

"The United States is employing similar methods in support of the puppets Bai Dao, Syngman Rhee and Quirino in undermining the national independence movements of the Democratic Republic of Vietnam, of South Korea and the Philippines."

Condemning American aid to Asia, Mr. Chou En-lai said, "From their personal experience, the Chinese people have realised what American so-called 'aid' means."

"It means death for millions, it means the loss of national freedom and rights."

"Since the Chinese rid themselves of American 'aid', things have gone well for China and she has really become independent. This is a useful lesson for the people of the whole world, especially for the people of the colonies, who have been selected or are being selected as objects of aggression by American Imperialism."

### "A mosquito"

"Acheson continued trying to disrupt the great alliance recently contracted between China and the Soviet Union. But anyone with a little commonsense knows that his mean fabrications and slanders are like a mosquito trying to shatter the fortress of world peace."

"Did Acheson not declare on January 12 that the Soviet Union was detaching the four great Northern areas of China? Why didn't he dare to mention it again in his March 15 speech? Only one prospect faces rumormongers—utter bankruptcy."

"Acheson threatens: The signing of an alliance of equality and friendship between the Chinese people and the Soviet Union—"

brushing aside the 'established friendship' of the American aggressors—is hostile to the interests of the U. S."

"He also threatens that China must not concern herself with Asian affairs, on pain of violating not only every tradition and interest of the Chinese people, and the traditions and interests of their Asian neighbours, of the American people, and—indeed—of all free peoples, but also violating the United Nations Charter."

### "Ridiculous threats"

"I think I must tell Acheson on behalf of the biggest nation in Asia that these ridiculous threats are already anachronisms."

"Cool down and look at the map. The affairs of the Asian peoples must be settled by the Asian peoples themselves, and must never be interfered with by such American Imperialists as Acheson and company on the other side of the Pacific Ocean."

Meanwhile a broadcast from Peking, in the form of an editorial from the official "People's Daily," asserted that Mr. Acheson's speech on Wednesday in San Francisco was a "revolting mess of slanders."

In his address, Mr. Acheson warned the Chinese Reds against adventures outside China and criticised the Red's treaty with Russia as an evil omen of imperialistic domination.

### "Matchless treaty"

The Peking broadcast, heard in San Francisco by the Associated Press, upheld the Soviet treaty as matchless and a fatal blow to aggressive plans of American Imperialism in Asia.

It defied Mr. Acheson to point to any colony in South East Asia which belongs to the Soviet Union.

It said: "In any case the oppressed Asian peoples have arisen and will continue to arise and American Imperialists are unable to keep up the confidence of their lackey in South East Asia."—Reuter, United Press and Associated Press.

New York, March 18. Gales sweeping the Atlantic delayed inbound ships from Europe today, including the Queen Mary which is expected to be one day into New York.—Associated Press.

## CANBERRA PLANNING A PURGE

Sydney, March 18.

The Australian Government is preparing the most drastic peacetime legislation in the nation's history to purge the country of Communists and Communist influence, according to the independent "Sunday Sun."

The "Sun's" Canberra correspondent, Oliver Hogue, said the Conservative Government will introduce a Subversive Activities Bill which will:

1. Declare the Communist Party illegal; close all Communist headquarters and forbid the publication of the party's newspapers and other publications; and outlaw Communist front organisations which have been formed to further the Party's cause.

Mr. Hogue said that Communists will be removed from trade union posts and prohibited from holding any other positions in which they could influence public opinion to support Communism.

The Government has a secret list of Communist sympathisers, which, the "Sydney Sun" says, includes the names of prominent Sydney and Melbourne clergymen.

The opposition Labour Party opposes the ban on Communists and argues that it would only force them to go underground and increase their effectiveness.

But the "Sun" correspondent said a powerful Catholic section of the Labourites may defect to the efforts of the Labour Senate majority to reject the Government's bill.—United Press.

## MAO MESSAGE TO GOTTEWOHL

London, March 18.

Germany and China will fight side by side for peace, democracy, unity and independence under the leadership of the Soviet Union, Mr. Mao Tse-tung leader of Communist China, stated tonight in a telegram to Herr Gottewohl, President and Premier of the East German Republic.—Reuter.

# ACHESON PLANS NEW POLICY IN FAR EAST

Washington, March 18.

Mr. Dean Acheson, United States Secretary of State, is reported today to be planning a move next week to enlist Congressional support for a new United States policy in the Far East.

A United States Senator, who wishes to remain anonymous, predicts that Mr. Acheson and the roving Ambassador, Dr. Philip Jessup, who recently made a tour of the Far East, will confer with Congressional leaders within the week.

Meanwhile, Senator Tom Connally (Democrat, Texas), Chairman of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, told reporters he expects Mr. Acheson and Mr. Jessup to give Senators a report on the Far East situation.

Mr. Acheson has indicated that the United States may be ready to give limited economic and military aid to South East Asian countries who wish to join a voluntary programme aimed at halting the Far Eastern expansion of Communism.

Mr. Acheson has given no indication that the Administration is planning any military assistance for the Chinese Nationalist Government.

The Administration already has about \$100,000,000 which would be used in launching a Far East programme. This money was left over from China Aid funds voted last year by Congress.

A Bill is now pending before the Senate Foreign Relations Committee to extend for another year after June President Truman's right to spend these funds. The Bill provided for their use in the "China Area" which could presumably include South East Asia.

Senator William Knowland and other Republican critics of what they termed the Administration "do nothing" policy in Asia, hailed the California speech of Mr. Acheson as the beginning of a more positive stand against Communism in Asia.

### Knowland Plan

Senator Knowland said, "We are now anxious to see what the State Department is going to do to back it up."

"He has urged that Australia, New Zealand, Korea, the Philippines and Japan be brought into close union. He suggested that this be done through an American statement that the United States would regard any Communist aggression against those countries as adversely affecting our own interest and of direct concern to the United States."

Senator Knowland said the discussion of the Far Eastern situation with the Foreign Ministers of Australia, New Zealand, Korea and the Philippines is long overdue. As another step in backing up the new policy he urged a further increase of the U. S. naval strength in the Pacific. He noted that some

steps in that direction have already been taken by Admiral Forrest Sherman, Chief of Naval Operations.

The "Washington Evening Star" said today that American policy in Asia, if acted upon with vigour by all parties concerned, could do much to build a defence against the Kremlin's Far Eastern Imperialism.

### New phase

Discussing the policy speech by Mr. Acheson, the "Star" said: "Although still vague in many particulars, American policy in Asia is entering upon a new phase in which we will stand firmly, depending upon the circumstances involved, to extend technical, military or financial help to the threatened countries."

The "Star" said that Mr. Acheson had been at pains to emphasise that such aid must be extended only on the condition, first, that the recipient country recognised the Soviet Communist threat and had a genuine will and determination to remain independent; second, that the people involved were backing their Government; and, third, that American help was appropriate to the particular situation and had a reasonable chance of producing constructive results.

Vast American funds granted to new nations in the Far East might do more harm than good if those countries' trade and political independence are not encouraged at the same time, the American Assistant Commerce Secretary, Mr. Thomas Blaisdell said in San Francisco yesterday.

"Instead of creating strength, American aid might create weakness," he added.

"Strength comes from work, self-dependence and aid—directly accepted, wisely handled and strategically applied."—Reuter and United Press.

## CLEARING UP ON TRUCULENT

Shoerness, March 18. The work of clearing and patching the shattered hull of the submarine Truculent, beached on a sand bank near here, continued today.

An inquest on the few bodies found in the submarine will be opened on Monday afternoon at Gillingham, Kent.

The submarine sank in the Thames Estuary last January, with the loss of 64 lives, after a collision with the Swedish steamer Divina.—Reuter.

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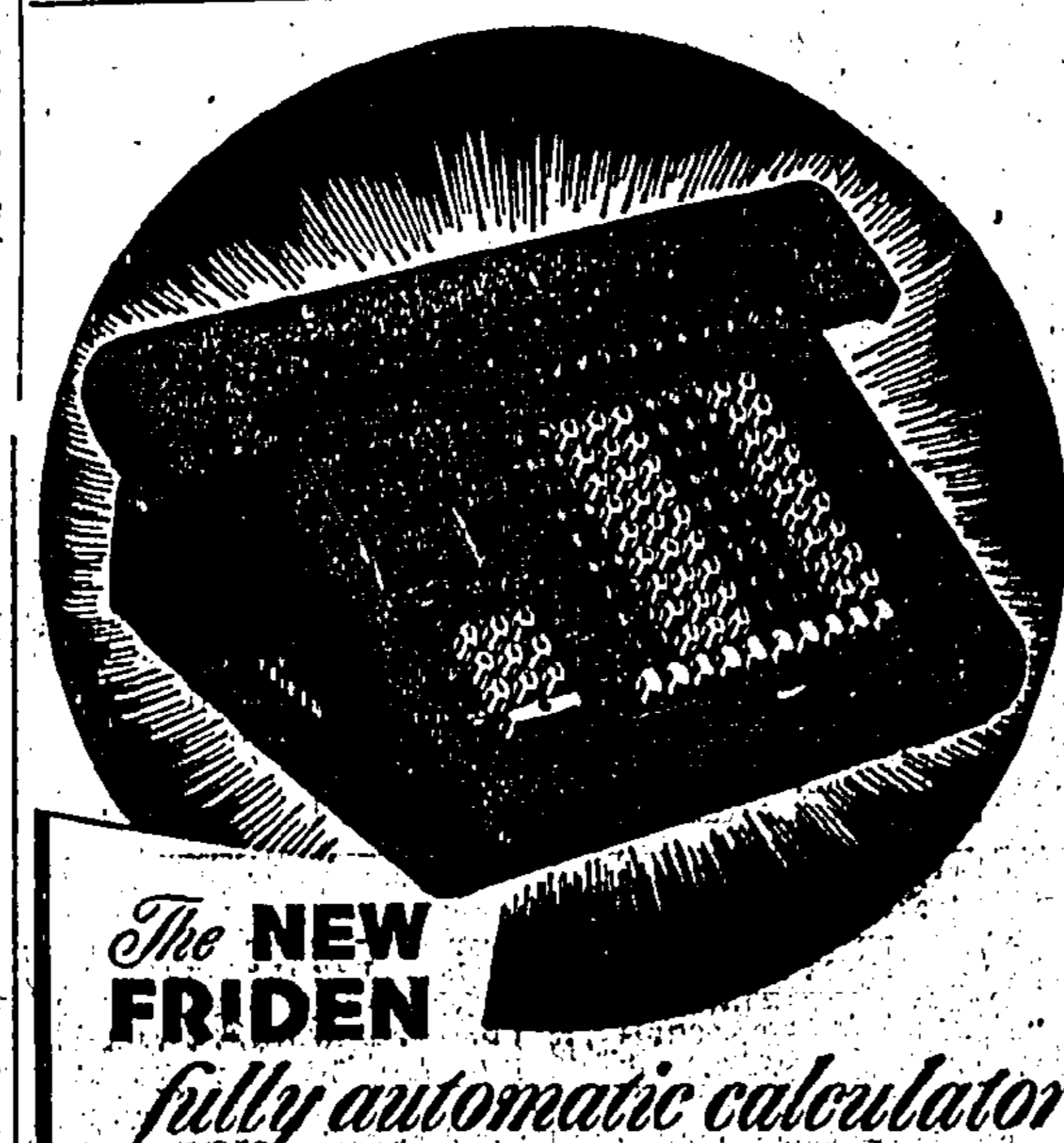
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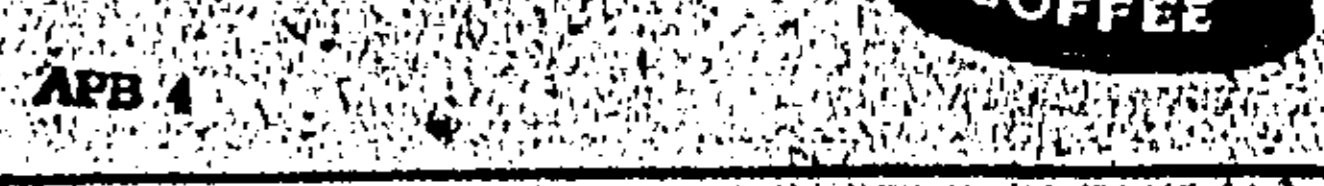
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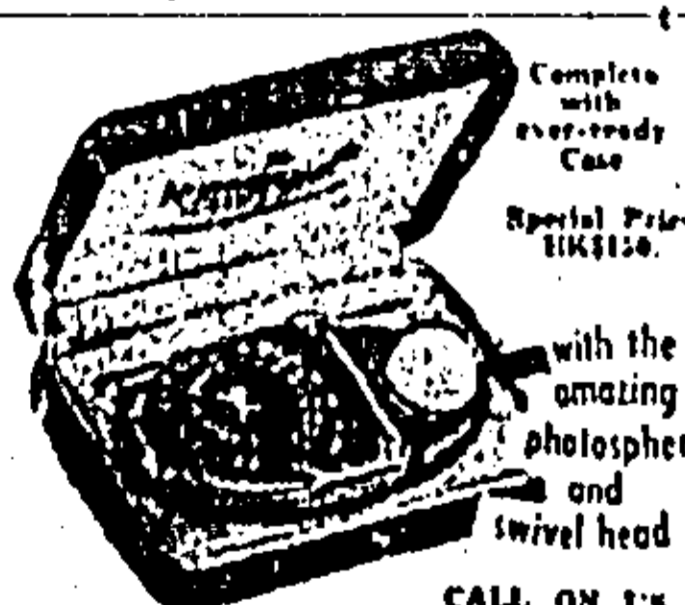
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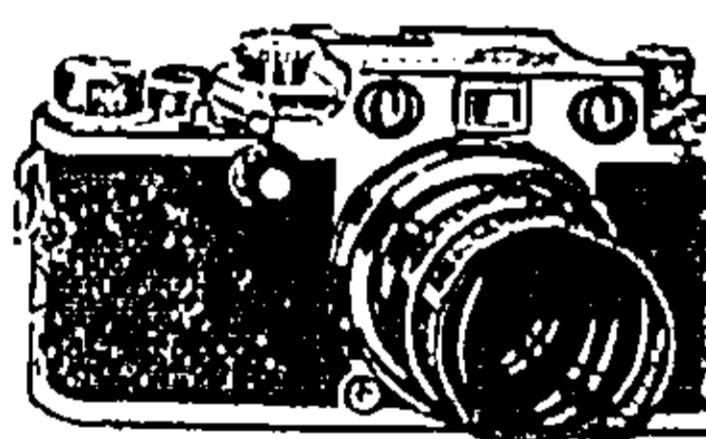
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me Summary.  
12.42—"Interlude."  
12.45—"Popular Variety."  
1.15—"News, Weather Report and An-  
nouncements."  
1.25—"Interlude."  
1.30—"Time For Music"—BBC Midland  
Light Orchestra, (DDCTS)  
2.00—"Close Down."  
2.05—"Hong Kong Calling"—Program-  
me Summary.  
2.10—"Children's Half Hour"—Conducted  
by Jack Frost, (Studio)  
2.40—"Portuguese Half Hour." (Studio)  
3.00—"World News and News Analysis."  
3.15—"An Interview with the Countess  
(London Relay)"  
3.40—"Mountains of Burma, C.I.  
G.C.V.O., G.D.E. (Studio)"  
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Ronnie Gibbons, (Studio)  
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Relay)  
4.10—"Linda Cater Talk on Films."  
(Studio)  
4.25—"I Like What I Like"—Presented  
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Violin and Orchestra, Op. 85,  
Violinist Harrison (Cello) and  
the New Symphony Orchestra, Con-  
ducted by Sir Edward Elgar.  
5.30—"The Dancing Time"—With the  
1st Batt. Camerona (Relay  
from the Forces Education  
Center).  
10.00—"Radio News Reel, (London Relay)"  
10.15—"Weather Report."  
10.16—"Spanish Nights"—Introduced by  
"Betty" (Studio)  
10.35—"From the Ballet"—"Les Petits  
Choeurs" London Symphony Orches-  
tra  
10.45—"The Choice of Colors."  
11.00—"Arlequin and His Orchestra  
Play for Dancing."  
11.15—"Weather Report, World News and  
Home News from Britain."  
(London Relay Recorded)  
God Save the King.  
11.30—"Close Down."

## Rediffusion

UK asks for  
volunteers

London, March 18.  
The Home Secretary, Mr.  
Chuter Ede, appealed urgently  
today for Civil Defence volun-  
teers to help meet the threat of  
atomic attack on Britain.  
Only a disappointing 21,000  
persons have joined the nation's  
new permanent peacetime Civil  
Defence Corps since recruiting  
began last November 15.  
If atom bombs are ever drop-  
ped on the British Isles, Mr. Ede  
declared, a Corps of at least  
1,000,000 will be needed for such  
duties as fighting fires and scar-  
ching mountains of debris for  
dead and wounded.  
In a speech prepared for a rally  
of the National Federation of  
Civil Defence Associations, Mr.  
Ede said every able-bodied citi-  
zen over military age should con-  
sider it a duty to enlist in the  
Corps.  
"Such action is a needed in-  
surance against a future national  
risk which experience shows it is  
wise to be insured against," Mr.  
Ede said.  
"We cannot improvise civil  
defence services in an instance  
and at the last moment. It must  
be in existence and prepared in  
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REGENT TAKES A HAND IN  
"THE LEOPOLD QUESTION"

Brussels, March 18.  
Belgium's Regent began urgent consultations with  
political leaders of all parties today within a  
few hours of the Catholic-Liberal Coalition  
breaking up on differences about exiled King  
Leopold's return to the throne.  
The Regent first received Robert Gillon, President  
of the Senate and Frans Van Cruwelaer,  
President of the Chamber.

Later, Baron Francis Van  
Der Straeten-Waillet, Chairman  
of the Christian Social  
(Catholic) Party, as leader of  
the country's strongest Party,  
was called in and conferred  
with the Regent, Prince Paul.

A complete delegation sent by the  
Central Committee of the Com-  
munist Party.

M. Max Buset, President of the  
Socialist Party, was also received  
by the Regent.

M. Julien Lahaut, President of  
the Belgian Communist Party,  
was also invited to the Palace.

According to a Palace spokes-  
man, M. Lahaut was unable to at-  
tend at the Palace.

Later it was learned that the  
invitation was referred to the  
Communist Party's Executive  
Committee.

The Committee, which was  
meeting in permanent session, de-  
clared that in view of the impor-  
tance of the present political prob-  
lems and in view of their signifi-  
cance it was more desirable that  
the Prince Regent should receive

the Regent was informed of  
this decision and it was for the Com-  
mittee, that M. Lahaut felt  
obliged to refuse the Regent's in-  
vitation to take part in the con-  
sultations.

It was also learned later that  
M. Labert Devez, Vice-Premier  
and Defence Minister in the re-  
tiring Government, and Count  
Henri Carton De Wiart, retiring  
Minister Without Portfolio, were  
received by the Regent.

The fact that the Regent want-  
ed to consult the Socialist and  
Communist Party Presidents,  
leaders of the Opposition in the  
Chamber, does not indicate that a  
National Coalition could be en-  
visaged in the present state of  
affairs.

The only possible alternatives  
could be either an homogeneous  
Catholic administration or a

Catholic-Liberal Coalition  
Government.

An all-Catholic Government  
would be short-lived. It would  
run the gauntlet in almost any  
controversy, other than the "Leo-  
pold question".

Normally, after consultations  
with the Presidents of both  
Houses of Parliament, Party  
leaders and out-going Cabinet  
Ministers, the Regent would ask  
the retiring Premier, M. Gaston  
Eyskens, to try and form a new  
government.

## New elections?

If M. Eyskens declines or fails,  
the Regent is likely to entrust M.  
Paul Van Zeeland, Catholic For-  
eign Minister in the outgoing  
Government, with the mission.

In the event of failure to form  
another Catholic-Liberal coalition,  
Premier Eyskens will probably  
propose the dissolution of Parlia-  
ment and a new snap election.

If a Government is formed, the  
first item on the Parliamentary  
agenda will be a joint session of  
the two Houses to repeal the Re-  
gency law and bring the King  
back.

A leading member of the Perma-  
nent Committee of the French-  
speaking Walloon Congress said  
tonight, "If the King resumed his  
constitutional powers it would  
seriously shake the feeling of  
loyalty that Walloons have to-  
wards the Belgian State."

The spokesman added that  
during a secret session today one  
member of the Congress said:  
"Should the Catholic Party start  
any unlawful acts as far as the  
Royal question is concerned, I, at  
the head of a big administration  
will willingly put myself under  
a provisional government of Wal-  
lonia."

This declaration, the spokes-  
man added, was loudly applauded.

From now on the Permanent  
Committee of the Walloon Con-  
gress is to sit in permanent ses-  
sion to be ready to deal with  
further developments.—Reuter.

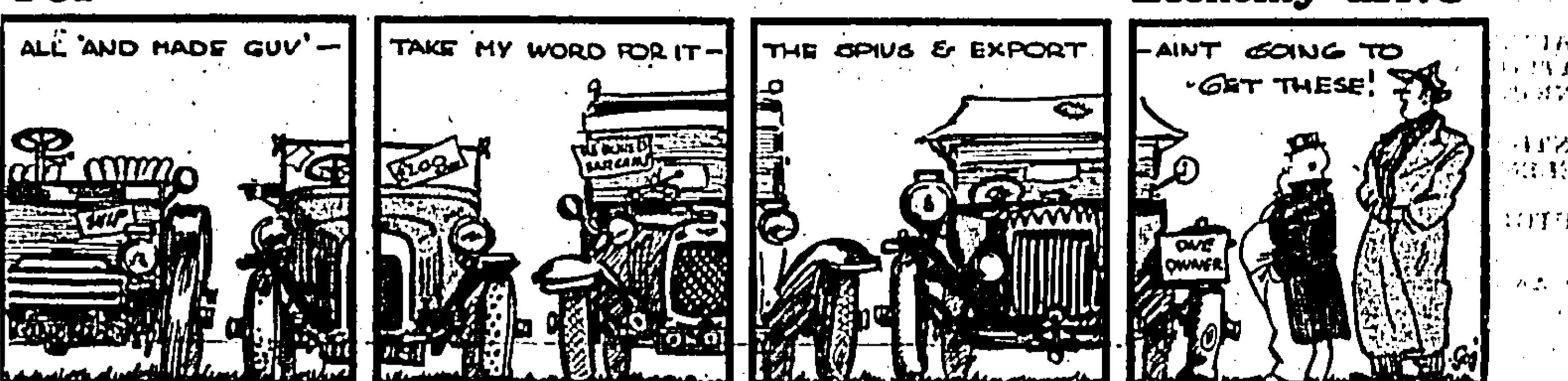
## BORDER INCIDENT

Calcutta, March 18.  
At least three tribesmen were  
killed and several injured when  
Pakistani police and Indian (Mof-  
tem) volunteers fired on fleeing  
groups of Santals (hill tribes)  
crossing into India near Patnaila,  
300 miles from here yesterday.

Reports received in official  
quarters here said the Pakistani  
guards, who cordoned off the  
border to prevent the flight of  
refugees, fired as the Santals  
tribesmen, numbering about 5,000,  
attempted to filter through to  
India.

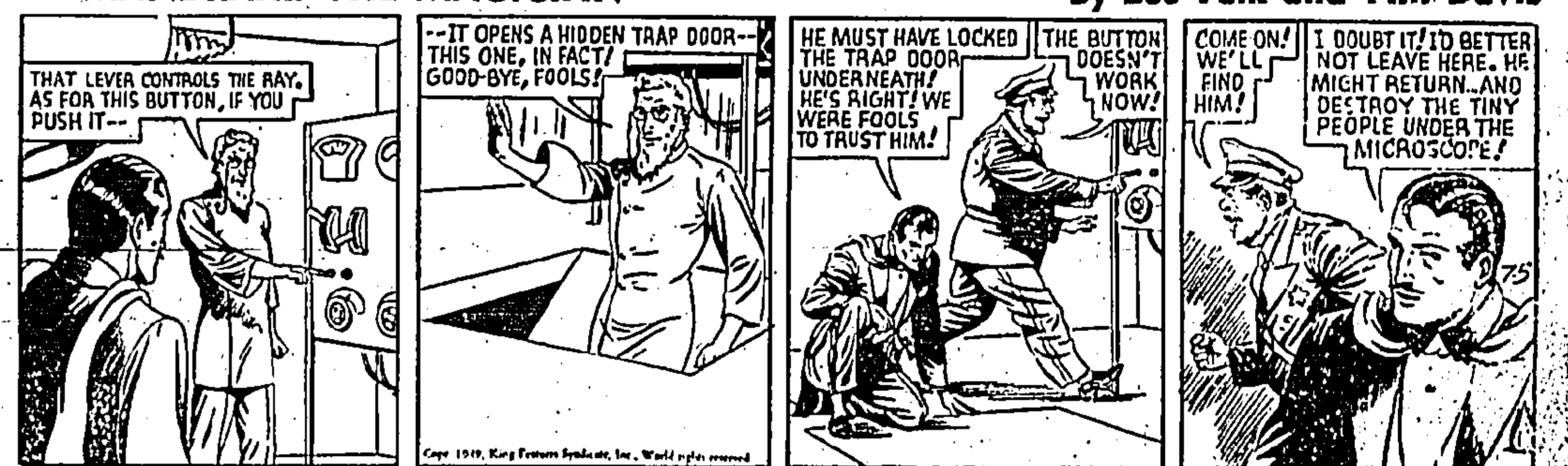
Tribesmen who got across  
brought one dead with them,  
leaving two killed and many  
injured behind.—Reuter.

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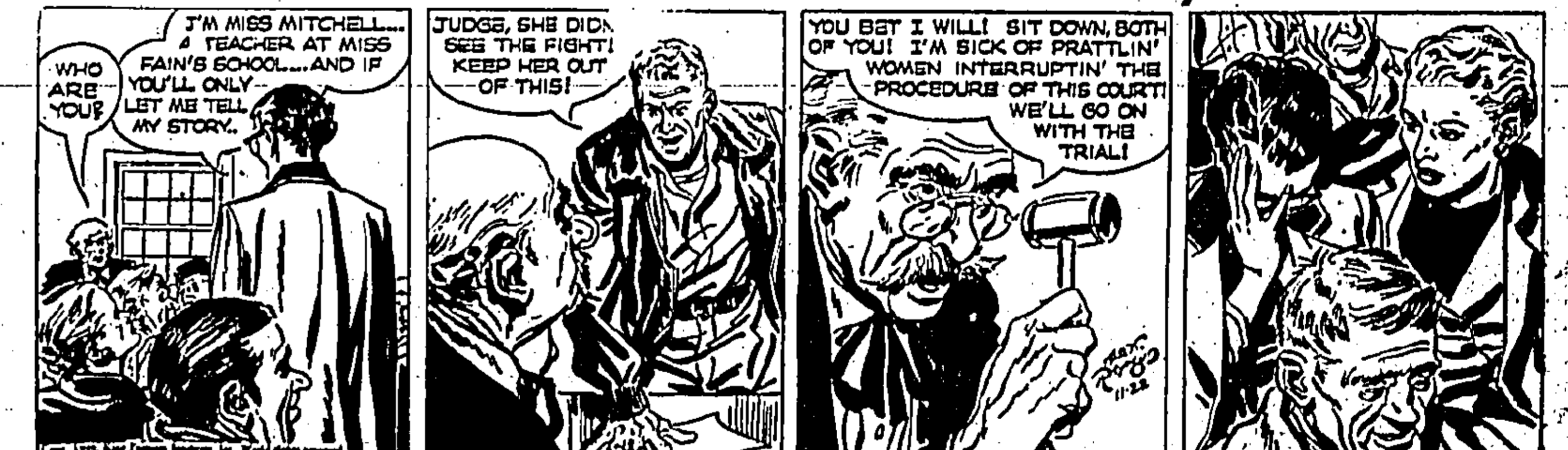
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By Lee Falk and Phil Davis



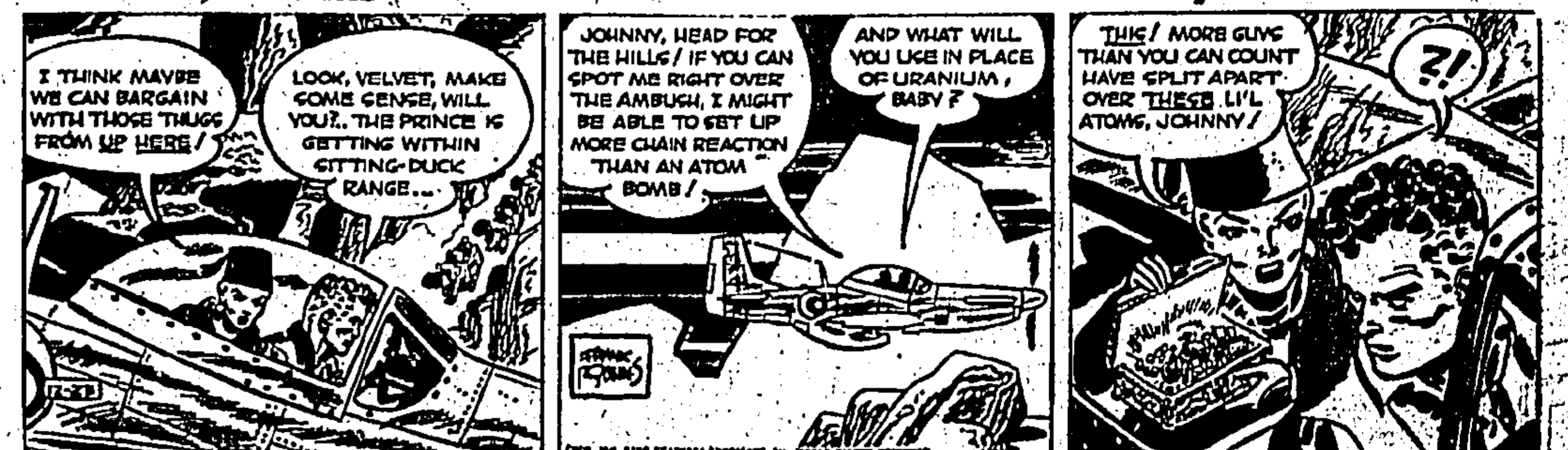
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## FINANCE AND COMMERCE

## AUSTRALIAN POUND: MARKET SPECULATION

Sydney, March 18.

Is Australia going to change the value of her pound?

That is the subject of considerable speculation in Australia. It is also being discussed around London's "City," New York's Wall Street and among money speculators in Singapore.

### New York Stock Exchange

New York, March 13.

Car stocks took the fancy of buyers half way through today's market. Chrysler and Studebaker were singled out for attention, with General Motors trailing in favour. All advanced 1/2 to one point. The balance of the market showed mild rising tendencies. Fractional gains out-numbered small losses by a moderate margin. Transfers 610,000 shares.

Gainers Included U.S. Steel, Bethlehem Steel, Boeing, Kennecott Copper, Dupont, Barnsdall Oil, Emerson Radio, Zenith, Algonquin and Armour.

Losers Included International Harvester, Douglas Aircraft, Dow Chemical, General Electric and U.S. Gypsum.

Dow Jones averages: Stocks 75.13; 20 Industrials 208.09; 15

Utilities 55.70; 10 Utilities 43.69.

Closing quotations: Adams Express 22 1/4

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To comply with the General Bonded Warehouse Regulations, consignees must have a Revenue Officer in attendance when damaged dutiable goods are examined.

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Hong Kong, March 20, 1950.

Most overseas guesses are that Australia will increase her pound to nearer the value of sterling. An Australian today must put up 25 of his shillings to buy 20 English shillings. He gets 25 shillings here if he can sell something in England for 20 shillings there.

If ever there was a time for Australia to increase the value of her pound, it is now. Prices for exports, mostly wool and food, are higher than ever before. People producing these exports are making fortunes. They would still make plenty of money without the gain on the exchange.

But the cost of living is rising constantly. In part, this is due to all the spending money farmers and wool growers have.

If Australians did not have to pay exchange on things they buy abroad, they would be cheaper here and living costs would decline. Also, if wool growers did not get an exchange gain of 25 per cent on their wool, they would have less easy money. But it really is not quite as simple as that.

Australia, as a result of the December 10 general election, is governed by a coalition of the Liberal and Country parties as against the Labour Party.

The Liberals broadly represent people in cities and towns, while the Country Party represents farmers and wool growers in rural areas. The Country Party holds the balance of power in Parliament.

On the cards

The Liberals, one might think, would like to increase the value of the pound in efforts to hold down the cost of living. The Country Party would obviously oppose a change that would reduce the income of its principal supporters.

(Continued from Col. 3)

US Rubber 43 1/4

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Youngstown Sheet &amp; Tube 82 1/4

Gen. Pub. Utilities 17 1/4

Curb gainers included Cities Service, Continental Foundry, New Jersey Zinc and Royalite Oil.—Associated Press.

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Hong Kong, March 18, 1950.

### Investment in Rhodesia

London, March 18.  
Sir Godfrey Huggins, Prime Minister of Southern Rhodesia, arrived here by air today for financial, political and transport discussions with the British Government.

Sir Godfrey will discuss with the British Government the encouragement of investment capital for Southern Rhodesia.

The Prime Minister will continue discussions, begun during his last visit, on the production of oil from coal in which he believes Rhodesia could establish a big industry.

Sir Godfrey will leave for Lisbon on Wednesday to discuss with the Portuguese Government the situation at the port of Beira, Portuguese East Africa, on which he will also have talks in London. He will also make the journey myself to cut short the business, he said.

"The official machinery is so cumbersome. We must get the confidence of the Portuguese despite the action of the shipping lines and get on with developments for immediate needs."

Sir Nigel Renald, British Ambassador in Lisbon, arrived in London two days ago for consultations with the Foreign Office on the forthcoming talks with Portugal on Beira.

Until the beginning of last year, Britain had concessions for the port of Beira and the railway leading to it from North and South Rhodesia and Nyasaland, for which territories the port is the best sea outlet.

Discussions are planned to open in Lisbon on March 23.—Reuter.

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# HONG KONG WATERFRONT

BY OUR HARBOUR REPORTER

## In my log

West, no more blockade-running

Let's first tell this simple little story... it's about a novice hunter on his maiden African safari.

"Look at that stump ahead. What's that?" he asked his Masai guide.

"Garish, bwana. He's hiding himself from us."

"But what has this got to do with our waterfront business, some one is sure to chip in, and that's just what we're coming to."

Because only recently something has developed on our Beat which savours of such self-delusion.

Authority has clamped down on news regarding the meaning of the Nationalist blockade. General information about the movement of blockade runners is being withheld from the public.

It means the layman will have to contend with scraps of information, which experience has shown are generally obtainable under great unnecessary difficulty.

Reason for this unprecedented action is that publication of news about this modern China Sea saga is detrimental to the blockade-runners in that it helps belittler war craft enforcing the blockade.

Can you identify them?

To begin with, it is no secret that a great number of Hong Kong-based coasters have already labelled themselves permanent blockade runners—running on regular schedules to Communist ports.

Several more candid ones, however, have openly notified their respective destinations. (Hats off to them! Nothing is more admirable than a show of guts.)

Now and then, of course, it is no surprise to hear of—over-see—one or two of the unfortunate limping into port with grim evidence of the inevitable consequences—straining, bombing or shelling by Nationalist war craft.

But then, there have been numerous successful trips without incident in spite of the din heralding their missions by the local scribes, and no untoward development as a result of similar "exposés."

One naturally asks: Then why this sudden black-out of blockade-running news? Volumes have already been written.

(Ours guess? Perhaps, it's just some allegory!)

Who's who at the helm...

Since it is deemed "necessary" (we quote because the issue is rather debatable) that the veil of officialdom should cover this 20th century "argosy" let's acquaint ourselves a little with some of the men who have been and are engaged in this high seas game of hide-and-seek.

A popular figure is 63-year-old James Leitch, master of the ss. Sing Hing, who is believed to be the oldest skipper at the helm of a blockade runner.

Hailing from the Island of Arran, the stocky, bearded Scotman is far from being what one would generally expect him to be—the typical swashbuckling seadog who audaciously braves bombs and bullets in running the blockade.

Mr. Leitch is a quiet, genial and lovable skipper, whose sense of humour has gained him widespread popularity with his crew. He drinks beer and rolls his own cigarettes. Skipper Leitch spends most of his time in port aboard his gallant craft—target of belligerent gunfire on several occasions.

Thomas McCabe (ss. Leong Bee) Outwardly, 40-year-old Thomas McCabe of Campbelltown, Scotland, Irish master of the ss. Leong Bee, is a schoolboy's vision of a typical tough buccaner of the Seven Seas—heavily bearded with bushy moustache and martial-looking.

But Skipper McCabe is just an ordinary family man who spends most of his time in port with his wife and daughter at home.

Running the Nationalist blockade is child's play to the robust veteran of the China Coast. His all in the return after heavy shelling by P-51's on the high seas—provides an insight into the inner sanctum of those silent but determined minds at the helm of the blockade-running fleet.

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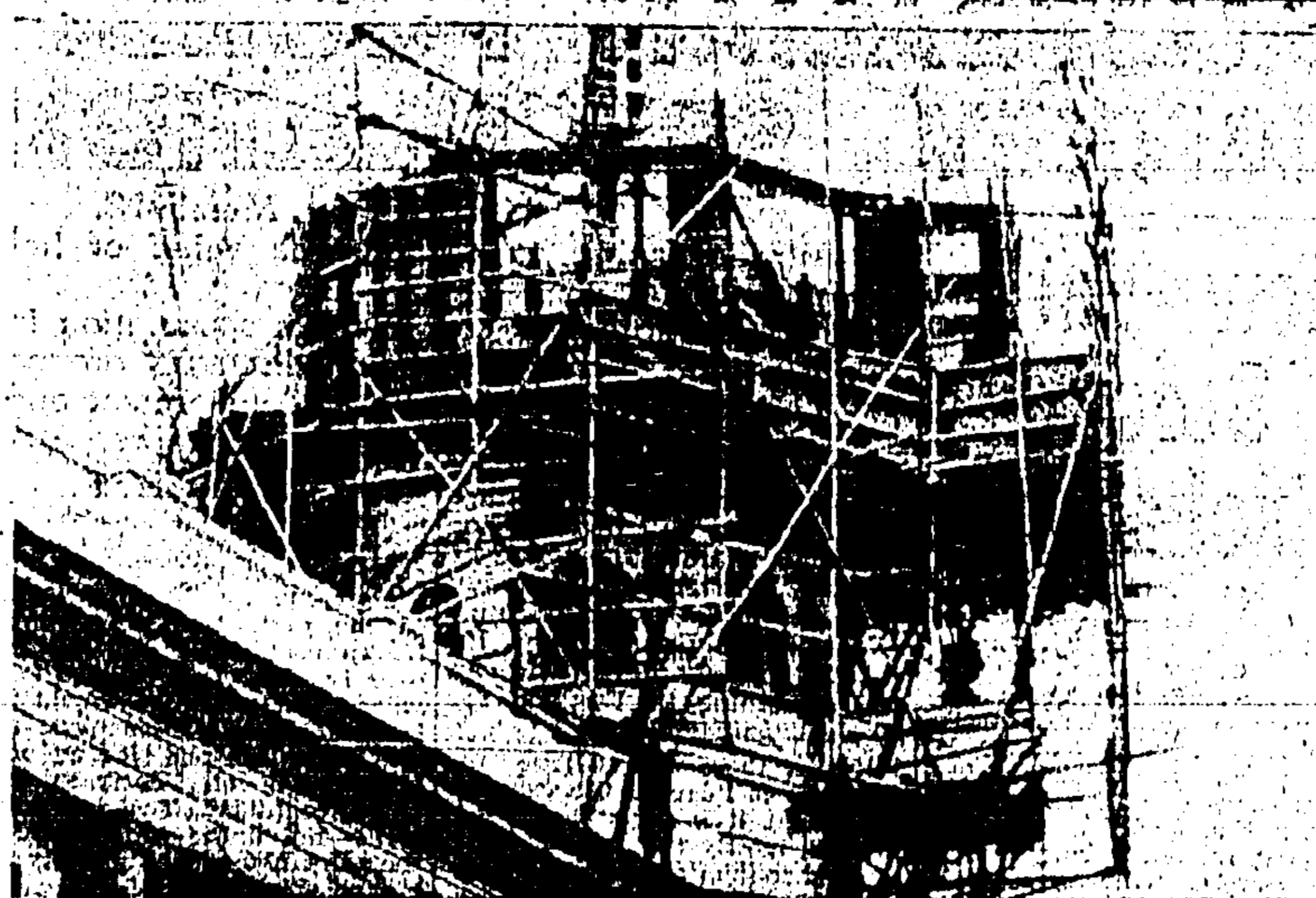
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Now nearing completion, the Marine Office look-out post erected above the present Signal Tower will be able to cover completely the areas stretching from the Star Ferry lane to the Western Channel area bounded by Green Island and Stonecutters Island.

Communication between these three look-out posts covering Victoria Harbour is by ordinary blink lamps and land telephone.

The Signal Tower, acting as the main unit, maintains contact on a 24-hour schedule by radio telephony with Waglan Island—the "eye" of the port of Hong Kong.

Waglan Island, some 12 miles East of the harbour proper, heralds the approach of any ocean-going vessel calling here. The information is then relayed to the authorities concerned, including the agent, stevedores, and Police.

The new look-out post will have two telegraphists and watchmen on daylight duty. The present Signal Tower will serve as office.

The station on Green Island was recently manned. It keeps vigilance on vessels coming in from the river ports.

Blackhead Station, located on Blackhead Point, has a panoramic view of Kowloon and Hung Hom Bay. When a ship passes through Lyman Pass—entrance to Victoria Harbour—this is im-

## Japanese ship with radar

The first Japanese merchant ship to be fitted with radar has been launched in Tokyo Bay. She is the 14,500-ton tanker Tankakuni Maru—queen of Japan's post-war tanker fleet.

This followed the recent lifting of the ban imposed by the U.S. authorities on the commercial use of radar by Japanese organizations.

The Tankakuni Maru, the largest vessel to be constructed by the Japanese since the war, will play on the Persian Gulf oil run.

She was launched early this month.

mediately "blinked" or telephoned to the Signal Tower, which does the necessary routine relay.

A change of mooring or berth while the ship is still in port is also recorded. The Signal Tower operates as the receiving centre as well as a look-out post.

General information pertaining to ship or crew movements is exchanged in code through the Signal Tower's "blink system." A small fee is charged for this service, open to the public at any hour of the day.

## Former Sai On crew in labour dispute

Some 50 of the former crew of the fire-gutted river steamer Sai On—now undergoing reconversion at Ngau Chi Wan and due to resume her Hong Kong-Macao service in April—are claiming their former posts.

The new owners, Tai Yip Company, it was reported, have refused the application for re-employment on the steamer, which will be re-named Tak Shing when she begins operation.

Meanwhile, the Chinese Seamen's Union is arbitrating on behalf of the dissident seamen. An Executive Committee member of the CSU's Macao Office arrived in Hong Kong over the week-end to help smooth the issue.

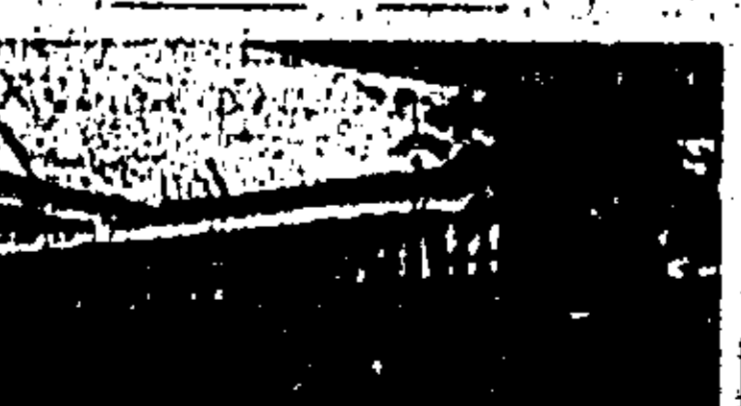
Meanwhile, negotiations by the Hong Kong CSU have failed to bring favourable results, a senior official of the labour organization declared.

The matter will be pursued further this week, he asserted.

The seamen, belonging to the firemen and bosun sections, claimed that they had lost most of their personal belongings when the Sai On caught fire at her berth in mid-1947 when more than 100 lives were lost. They alleged that their applications for their former posts on board were ignored by the new owners, whom they believed to be the same principals who owned the Sai On, the CSU official disclosed.

The original owners, Tung On Company, were liquidated after the accident.

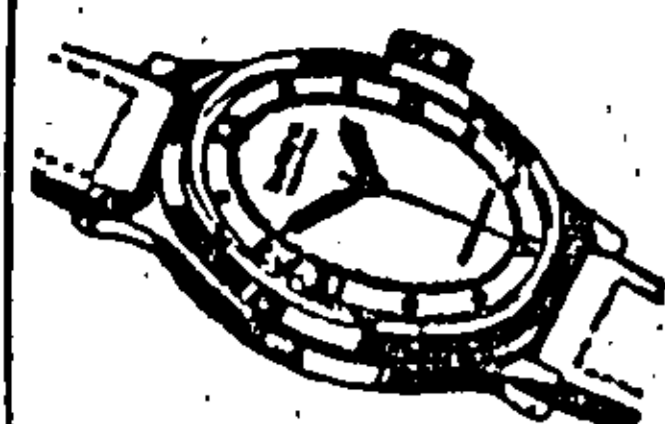
## How's your harbour I.Q.?



Do you know where the above picture was taken? Sure you do! Don't be puzzled—remember where, in those torrid summer months, hundreds generally look for relief. Now you've got it. Turn the page round and see whether you're right.

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HONG KONG, MONDAY, MARCH 20, 1950.

Sports Pause



## Soccer:

## Royal Air Force unlucky to lose to Kowloon Motor Bus

## Schoolboys beat Club XI 2-0

The Schoolboys Interport football team selected to visit Manila played a friendly match against selected Hong Kong Club XI at Happy Valley yesterday and won by two goals to nil.

The schoolboys led by one goal at the interval.

The school boys made several changes in their line-up in the second half.

The combination of the schoolboys did not come up to expectations. Ko Po-keung proved to be a good leader in attack.

Lee Cheuk-sang, inside-left, was a hardworker and scored the first goal for his team with a brilliant drive from just outside the penalty area.

Chiu Ping-leung, who played in the second half for the schoolboys, scored the second goal just before the end with a terrific drive.

The Club fielded Mullen, Roberts, Hardwick, Brown and Widger of their first team. Mullen was the best of his side.

Another match is being arranged for Sunday next, when it is hoped to pit the schoolboys against a team from Kit Chee, New Vendors or South China.

## Friendly lawn bowls game at KBGC

A friendly lawn bowls game between the Post-war bowlers and Pre-war bowlers played at the Kowloon Bowling Green yesterday resulted in a victory for the Post-war bowlers by nine shots the final score being 84-75.

Special prizes were presented to L. Sykes and his men for registering the biggest win.

Score:

Postwar	Prewar
K. Johnston	D. Collyer
T. Dewhurst	J. Russell
W. Conway	J. Meyer
F. Plume	L. Collyer
(Skip)	(Skip)
P. Hughes	W. Seraphina
A. Hutton	V. Chittenden
J. Crichton	C. Downman
(Skip)	(Skip)
B. Collyer	A. Bailey
A. Dodd	F.C. Cleme
R.H. Browne	E. Greenwood
(Skip)	(Skip)
W. Frost	W. Simpson
C. Harris	W. Grant
T. Wren	E. Atkins
A.R. Warren	L. Sykes
(Skip)	(Skip)
Total	Total
84	75

## THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB

## NOTICE TO MEMBERS

## FOURTH RACE MEETING

Saturday, 25th March, 1950.

There are ten races, the First Race will be run at 1.30 p.m. and the First Race will be run at 2.00 p.m.

Through Tickets (10 Races-\$20.00) may be obtained at the Office of the Treasurer, 1st Floor, Telephone House, also tickets for the Special Cash Sweep on the Hongkong Derby (over 250,000 tickets disposed of to date) to be run at the Easter Race Meeting in April, 1950, which may be purchased also at the Club's Branch Office, No. 382 Nathan Road, Kowloon.

There will be no Special Sweep on the last Race.

## MEMBERS' BADGES AND ENCLOSURE.

MUST wear their badges prominently displayed throughout the Meeting. Members and guests are reminded that they and their ladies

NO ONE WITHOUT A BADGE WILL BE ADMITTED TO THE MEMBERS' ENCLOSURE.

Badges admitting Ladies not in possession of Brooches or Season Tickets and gentlemen, non members of the Club, to the Members' Enclosure and Club Rooms at \$10.- including tax, for Ladies or Gentlemen are obtainable through the Secretary on the written or personal introduction of a Member, such Member to be responsible for all visitors introduced by him, and for payment of all bills etc.

Badges admitting to Members' Enclosure will NOT be on sale at the RACE COURSE.

The Treasurer's Comptroller's Office will close at 11 a.m. and the Secretary's Office at 11.45 a.m. Both Offices at 1st Floor, Telephone House.

A limited number of tickets will be obtainable at the Club House, provided they are ordered in advance from the No. 1 Box (Tel. 27818).

NO CHILDREN WILL BE ADMITTED TO THE CLUB'S PREMISES DURING THE MEETING.

## PUBLIC ENCLOSURE.

The price of admission to the Public Enclosure is \$3.- including tax for all persons including ladies, and is payable at the Gate. BOOKMAKERS, TIC TAC MEN ETC., WILL NOT BE PERMITTED TO OPERATE WITHIN THE PREMISES OF THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB DURING THE RACE MEETING. MEALS AND REFRESHMENTS WILL BE OBTAINABLE IN THE RESTAURANT IN THE PUBLIC ENCLOSURE.

## SERVANTS' PASSES.

Servants' passes will be issued to private box holders only, who are requested to distribute them with discrimination and to endorse their names on the passes. Holders of such passes are not permitted to leave the Members' Enclosure except for passing through on their duties and must remain in their employers' stands.

BY ORDER,

S. A. SLAP,

Secretary.

Kowloon Motor Bus were definitely fortunate to take both points in their First Division League soccer match against Royal Air Force at Boundary Street yesterday, only a last minute goal by Lee Chun-fat giving them victory.

The Airmen, playing like men inspired, gave a rousing display throughout and were actually leading the busmen 2-1 at the interval.

The eagerly awaited return match between Kit Chee and South China, which was played at Happy Valley, proved to be a great disappointment, as the South China lads failed miserably against their more experienced and polished opponents and had to admit defeat by four clear goals.

Kit Chee 4—S. China 0

Kit Chee, who beat South China on Wednesday last by four goals to one in a First Division League soccer match, again proved their superiority, when they emerged easy winners over the Caroline Hill team by four clear goals.

Cheung Shu-ling of Kit Chee was badly injured in the head 10 minutes from the kick-off and had to be carried off the field. He was later taken to hospital, where his injury necessitated several stitches.

Although they played with 10 men for the remainder of the game, Kit Chee completely outplayed and out-manoeuvred South China.

South China put up a poor show and with the exception of Lee Yuk-tak, the rest of the forward line did not impress.

Kit Chee played their usual methodical game and delighted the spectators with their fine co-ordination, neat passing and clever shooting.

With the game five minutes old, Kit Chee opened the scoring through Yu Cheuk-yin. Slipping through the defence on a pass from Cheung Kam-hoi, Yu Cheuk-yin sent in a terrific shot. Choi Kin-chung dived and grabbed the ball, but could not hold it and it slipped through his hands into the net.

Within two minutes, Kit Chee were up another goal following a misunderstanding between Fok Yiu-wah and the goalkeeper. Taking advantage of the situation, Lau Chung-sang tapped the ball into an empty net.

Although playing one man short after Cheung Shu-ling was injured, Kit Chee continued to dominate the exchanges and South China were hard pressed for long periods.

Kit Chee were awarded a penalty after Yu Cheuk-yin was fouled inside the area and Chu Wing-keung, taking the spot kick, made no mistake.

Weak raids

Apart from a few weak raids, South China were kept on the defensive and it came as no surprise when Kit Chee netted their fourth goal just before the interval through Yu Cheuk-yin.

After the interval, Kit Chee moved into the forward line and for a while South China forced the play, but were soon on the defence again.

Kit Chee, with the game safe in the bag, slackened off considerably and were content to toy with their opponents, who had all the fight knocked out of them and continued to play a defensive game until the final whistle brought them respite.

Kit Chee: Yu Yiu-tak; Hui Yung-sang, Cheung Shu-ling, Lee Ping-chiu, Ng Kel-chung, Tai Kam-hung, Hom Ying-lan, Chu Wing-keung, Cheung Kam-hoi, Yue Cheuk-yin and Lau Chung-sang.

South China: Choi Kin-chung, Fok Yiu-wah, Leung Sheung-tak, Shik Kam-hung, Ko Po-keung, Cheung Fook-lun, Lau Sheung, Teng Sheung, Lee Yuk-tak, Chow Kit, Chu Wing-wah.

## Results at a glance

First Division	2
KMB	2 RAF
Kit Chee	4 S. China
Second Division	3
Taihook	1 S. China
Yard Police	2 Solicitors'
Police	2 PCA

## EXHIBITION BASEBALL

New York, March 18.

Exhibition baseball scores:

D. National 10 P. American 13

New York, American 15 B. American 9

St. Louis, American 9 N.Y. National 8

Boston National-Philadelphia National game postponed because of rain.

L. A. National 2 C. National 8

L. A. P. C. 1 C. American 2

C. American 7 O. P. C. L. 4

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## Badminton:

## Semi-finals get under way this evening

(By "ARGONAUT")

All roads in the local badminton world lead to Club do Recreio this evening as the first five semi-finals of the Colony Championships get under way.

Each event is a star-attraction in itself and the fact that practically all the games are evenly matched should draw a capacity crowd to the night's session.

Curtain-raiser will be the Junior Men's Singles game between St. Theresa's J. A. Soares and Homefolks' M. H. Liang.

Both are reputed all-round sportsmen endowed with limitless stamina.

Liang, however, who came from the Malayan State of Perak, which has produced some of Malaya's best players, has played in good company at home.

His greater experience in the Singles game and his terrific smashes should give him the decision.

The Junior Mixed Doubles clash between W. C. Chung and his wife and Recreio's C. M. Quinn and Yolly Franco promises to be the most exciting of the evening.

The Mr. and Mrs. combination are now playing at their peak form. Quinn, however, has not been producing even his usual form in his past few matches.

## Slight advantage

Both he and his partner will have the advantage of playing on a home-court tonight, but in spite of this, I feel that the Chungs hold a slight advantage, unless Quinn comes off with one of his rare displays.

If she could overcome her initial nervousness and awe of her opponent's reputation, Gloria should be able to give a good account of herself, if not win.

P. H. Wong and Helen Kwong of Chinese YMCA and Recreio's clubmate R. Young and Recreio's

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## Cricket:

## "Scorpions" further enhance Championship prospects

The Hong Kong Cricket Club "Scorpions" further enhanced their Championship prospects yesterday when they beat the Hong Kong University by six wickets in a First Division League cricket game at Pokfulam.

Hero of the day was, without doubt, R. S. Cull of the "Scorpions" who paved the way for victory by dismissing four of the University batsmen for 14 runs in four overs.

The friendly game between HKCC "Occasionals" and 28th Brigade which was played at Chater Road and which was featured by high scoring by both sides, ended in a win for the Brigade by one wicket.

Batting first, the "Occasionals" declared after scoring 201 for nine. L. D. Kilbee was in splendid form with the bat and knocked up 67 runs before being caught by Benn off Newcome.

Others to do well with the bat were A. Erson (31 not out), J. Cox (29) and G. H. Pritchard (24).

Undaunted by the score of their hosts, the Brigade made a determined effort to get runs and thanks to a sparkling 87 by Sherburn, passed the total of the "Occasionals" after losing eight wickets.

Henderson (30), Newcome (30) and Mitchell (29 not out) also contributed to the Brigade success.

Newcome returned the best bowling figures for the Brigade, taking four wickets for 37 runs, while Pritchard, for the "Occasionals" captured two for 30.

HKCC "Occasionals"

G. White b Newcome 12  
G. H. P. Pritchard b Mitchell 24  
L. D. Kilbee c Benn b Newcome 67  
R. T. Pierce lbw b Newcome 57  
J. Salaman c Mitchell b Cottle 0  
K. B. Beavers c Penn b Bray 5  
D. Davin c b McCleod 17  
P. Farquharson c b McCleod 7  
A. Erson not out 31  
J. Cox c b Newcome 29  
H. Macmillan not out 17  
Extras 17

Total (for nine wks.) dec. 201

Bowling Analysis

Bray 12 3 41 1  
Cottle 8 1 25 1  
Mitchell 13 0 67 1  
Newcome 12 2 37 4  
McCleod 13 7 14 2

Total (for eight wks.) 204

Bray did not bat.

28th Brigade

Newcome c Salaman b Beavers 30  
Benn b Pritchard 9  
Macmillan-Scott lbw b Pierce 0  
Sherburn c Salaman b Beavers 67  
Beavers b Pierce 30  
Henderson lbw b Pierce 30  
Couzens b Pierce 0  
Mitchell not out 29  
McCleod-Martin c Salaman b Pritchard 12  
Cottle not out 12  
Extras 17

Total (for eight wks.) 204

Bray did not bat.

HKCC "Occasionals"

L. F. Stokes b Lean 14  
O. J. Kerr, run out 25  
F. A. Weller, b Lean 10  
J. A. Borthwick, not out 1  
H. Owen-Hughes, b Lean 8  
T. A. Pearce, not out 2  
Extras 2

Total (for four wks.) 80

H. M. Newton, R. S. Cull, J. P. O'Driscoll, A. F. Weir and F. Howarth did not bat.

Bowling Analysis

Teh 12 3 33 0  
Lean 12 3 27 3  
Poh 6 1 18 0

HKCC "Occasionals"

In a high-scoring friendly cricket game at Chater Road yesterday

and Azavedo shared pitching duties.

Every Lone Star player made at least one hit, while Union could only reply with five scattered singles, of which Umbi, Moss and Eddie Remedios were credited with two each.

Results of a glance

Men's Senior League

Americans 9 U.S. Navy 7

Braves 5 Jaguars 2

Men's Junior League

Rexes 6 Aces 3

Ladies Junior League

White Fangs 10 Closures 7

St. Teresa 10 Squaws 7

Inter-Hong League

Caltex 18 Union 2

Out of a total of 10 hits blasted by Caltex against hapless Union, Souza of Union, Vosa contributed for some mighty fancy hitting when he hit safely in every one of five times, which included two home runs, two three runs hits and a two-bagger.

Eight Union men withdrew via the strike-out route as Souza

man Bracken whiffed three and passed three.

Americans registered two twin killings, both on infield drives which were held and the runner caught off first base.

The gobs replied with one double play when keysteron Watson speared McGowan's liner and George Gallop was off from second base.

Braves 5—Jaguars 2

All the runs in this fast moving game were scored in the first inning, after which both sides bared down to play outright ball, thrilling the crowd of spectators who turned out to witness the grudge tussle.

White Fangs 19—Closures 8

The Fangs put on their hitting suits and went to town against Glover hurler Tania Tennison as they belted a total of 14 hits to chalk up a convincing 19-8 triumph.

St. Teresa's 10—Squaws 7

St. Teresa's practically wrung the Junior League pennant as they snatched a last inning decision from Squaws to win 10-7.

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